12 dead as tornadoes rip Arkansas and Mississippi

By The Associated Press

Tornadoes have cut a swath of destruction across Arkansas and Mississippi, killing 12 persons, injuring more than 220 and leaving hundreds of others homeless.

State police said seven persons were killed in Arkansas and more than 70 injured. Five were killed and at least 150 injured in Mississippi, state Civil Defense officials said.

"This is unbelievable, just unbelievable," said Arkansas Gov. David Pryor as he toured the devastated town of Cabot, hardest hit in the twisters that roared through the two Southern states Monday.

Six died in Cabot, a community in central Arkansas 20 miles northeast of Little Rock. The seventh victim in Arkansas was killed when a tornado struck the town of Dresco, about 100 miles north of Little Rock.

Most of Cabot's business district was demolished, and state police said 65 buildings on an eight-block stretch of Main Street were either destroyed or heavily damaged.

In Mississippi, five persons were killed when a tornado tore through the town of Canton.

In Texas, authorities said high winds and tornadoes hit towns near Austin and San Antionio before dawn today, overturning mobile homes, knocking down trees and communication lines and injuring about a dozen people.

A spokesman for the Southeast Travis County fire control district said 40 to 60 persons were left homeless in Garfield, 12 miles southeast of Austin, after a twister "went right through the middle" of the village where there are many trailer and frame homes.

Six persons were taken to an Austin hospital for treatment, the spokesman said, adding that two of them appeared to be in serious condition.

Kerrville police dispatcher Tom Rankin said a tornado later whirled across part of Center Point, about 15 miles south of Kerrville and 45 miles northwest of San Antonio, injuring seven persons. He said the injured were taken to a Kerrville hospital but none appeared to be badly hurt.

Tornado warnings were issued today for 56 counties, primarily in south-central and southeast Texas.

Mississippi National Guard troops joined local police late Monday in patrolling the debris-lined streets of Canton and enforcing the 10 p.m. curfew ordered to prevent looting of the town's demolished businesses.

In Arkansas, the Lonoke County sheriff's office said, "The whole main street of Cabot has been flattened."

The Arkansas governor, who arrived in Cabot a few hours after the tornadoes hit, ordered 60 National Guardsmen to the storm-ravaged town. Thirty-five Air Force security policemen and 40 state troopes were brought in to help sift through the debris, direct traffic and prevent looting.

Portable generators supplied electricity for rescue crews and other officials, and utility company crews worked to restore telephone, gas and electric service.

Cabot Mayor Willie Ray said he was at City Hall when the National Weather Service telephoned a warning about 3:15 p.m. Ray said he saw the tornado coming and told city officials to "blow the whistle," a warning device which can be heard several blocks from City Hall.

Ernie Bailey, 37, a Cabot real estate salesman, said he watched the tornado approach a school filled with children. Then, he said, the twister "just sort of hopped to the side of the school and went on by."

In Canton, an agricultural town of 10,000 about 20 miles north of Jackson, the tornado cut a five-mile-long swath through residential, business and industrial areas.

Another tornado touched down in the Mississippi town of Newton, injuring nine persons and damaging between 150 and 200 houses.

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Confiscated goods taken under search warrant from a Rochelle apartment were displayed this morning at the Ogle County Sheriff's Department. Two Rochelle youths admitted to authorities their part in more than 300 burglaries in the past four years in a five-county area. The stolen items have been valued at more than $3,000.

Truck talks at critical stage

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS, Ill. (AP) — The trucking industry's contract talks resumed today after Labor Secretary W. J. Usery described them at "a critical stage" in the race against a Teamsters strike threatened for midnight Wednesday.

Usery and James Scearce, acting director of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, met until 1 a.m. today with labor and management negotiators and resumed sessions about eight hours later.

Usery, who said a strike would be bad for the industry, the union and the nation, said late Monday that the talks were "at a very critical stage" but refused to elaborate on their progress.

The Teamsters, who earn $7.18 to $7.33 an hour and $44 a week in benefits under the current National Master Freight Agreement, originally sought a $2.50 hourly hike and $36 weekly more in benefits over three years. They have cut their demands to $1.75 an hour and $17 a week.

But the union is also insisting on a cost-of-living allowance without a ceiling on adjustments, arguing that members were penalized more than 50 cents hourly in 1974-75 wages because of the current 11-cent ceiling.

Last weekend, union members overwhelmingly authorized a strike, which would be the Teamsters' first nationwide walkout. They rejected a contract offer from Trucking Employers Inc., which represents 16,000 trucking concerns in the bargaining.

The offer, rejected by 10-1, would have added 85 cents to hourly wages and $11 a week to fringe benefits over a 39-month period.

The Ford administration fears that a strike idling the nation's trucks — and with them the movement of food, goods and heavy freight — would severely impair the progress being made in the nation's economic recovery.

Usery said, "We are not making any preparation at this time to seek a Taft-Hartley injunction. We're seeking to negotiate an agreement." But he added that "after Wednesday, the President and the administration will certainly have to protect the health and safety of the nation."

The Taft-Hartley Act could be invoked — in the event of a strike — to force resumption of work during an 80-day cooling-off period.

Another factor complicating efforts to head off a strike is the possibility of wildcat walkouts by dissident Teamsters.

Meanwhile, the Pittsburgh-based Fraternal Association of Steel Haulers, representing 5,000 owner-operators across the nation, voted to ignore a strike if one is called.



A LOAD OFF HER FEET— Rochelle Erdmann, of Portland, Ore., takes off her boots on the lawn of the State House in Trenton, N.J. She is a member of a military detachment that marched 40 miles from Ft. Dix, N.J., to the capitol in a field-training exercise. (AP Wirephoto)

Two Rochelle youths accused in burglary spree

OREGON— The arrest of two Rochelle youths has resulted in the clearing up of more than 300 burglaries in a five-county area stretching to Chicago and the recovery of numerous stolen items, police said.

Ogle County Sheriff's detectives, working with Cook County officials, arrested Craig T. Kruse, 19, and Raymond G. McCoy, 17, at their Rochelle apartment, 315 Southview Drive. Both were jailed Monday without bond on charges of burglary and possession of stolen property.

Items recovered during execution of a search warrant at the apartment included two television sets, jewelry, radios, many small appliances, weapons, a revolver, tools, a citizen's band radio, an oriental rug, a motorcycle and several antiques.

Police said the youths have admitted committing nearly 100 break-ins in Elgin and more than 200 in Cook County over the past four years.

An Ogle County warrant accuses the youths of a March 20 break-in at the Carrie Dummer residence, rural Kings. Dummer called deputies at about 9:30 p.m. when she heard someone in the house. She said she yelled at them and saw two persons running from the home to a car. Taken from the Dummer residence were a wallet and its contents, two revolvers, a 16-gauge shotgun and 32-caliber rifle. The rifle and shotgun were recovered.

Lee County warrants have been issued for the pair in connection with a March 13 break-in at the Harold Schnuckel residence, West Brooklyn, and another burglary March 20 at the Avery Russell home, rural Franklin Grove. Many of the items taken in the two break-ins were recovered.

Sheriff Jerry Brooks said the value of confiscated goods exceeds $3,000. He praised the work of his detectives and the Cook County Sheriff's detectives and said the search warrant and arrests were made possible due to the close working relationship between the departments.

Brooks said he expects other warrants to be issued by police in nearby counties as the investigation continues.

Kruse and McCoy were scheduled to appear for arraignment before Associate Judge Alan Cargerman.

Dixon School Board hires professional negotiator

The Dixon School Board has taken a new step in collective bargaining by hiring a professional negotiator to iron out a contract with the Dixon Teachers Association.

Robert Claus, 44, a Chicago attorney, met briefly with board members to explain procedural agreements. The next slated bargaining session with the DTA will be held April 26 at 7:30 p.m.

Claus, a member of the Chicago law firm of Vedder, Price, Kaufman and Kannholz, has worked in labor relations for 25 years, both in the private and public sectors. He is currently negotiating teacher contracts in Springfield and the Chicago areas.

Claus was selected from a list of 20 candidates furnished by the Illinois Association of School Boards. That list was narrowed to six and each was interviewed by a panel consisting of Supt. of Schools Stanley Weber, Board President James Dixon; Jerald Conroy, board secretary, and M. Charles Willey, board member.

The 1957 University of Illinois graduate has served on school boards, both as a member and president.

Board members will sit in on the negotiating sessions on a rotating schedule along with Wilbur Stitzel Jr. and Merrill Hughes, assistant superintendents.

The district will pay Claus $60 per day plus expenses.

Postal service opposes dropping rate commission

WASHINGTON (AP) The Postal Service today opposed abolishing the Postal Rate Commission, despite the postmaster general's contention that the commission has contributed to the Postal Service's financial crisis.

"We should continue to have a trial-type hearing where the Postal Service is subject to cross examination in order to justify any rate increase," General Counsel Louis Cox told a House Post Office subcommittee.

Cox said the Postal Service favors a pending Senate bill to limit the commission's deliberations to 10 months on any suggestion by the Postal Service to increase mail rates.

The commission, which must approve rate increases before they can go into effect, has speeded up its proceedings after heavy criticism from the Postal Service of its lengthy deliberations.

Rep. Paul Simon, D-Ill. said the commission costs about $10 million per year and results "in rubber stamping Postal Service rate requests."

Simon has sponsored a bill to allow the Postal Service to increase rates on its own, provided the increases do not exceed increases in the government's measure of inflation, the Consumer Price Index.

Under Simon's bill, increases higher than rises in the Consumer Price Index would have to be approved by the House and Senate Post Office committees.

Reaction to referendum proposal is favorable

Voters in the Dixon Rural Fire Protection District, by a three-to-one margin, would support a building-bond referendum to construct a new stationhouse in Dixon, according to results of a questionnaire.

Board members sent out 1,950 questionnaires March 22. Of the total 329 have responded, showing 249 for and 80 against a new building. Those responses received represent 16 per cent of the total sent to registered voters.

Board President Thomas Shaw said he was surprised with the overwhelming vote in favor of the referendum "and a high probability exists that a favorable decision will be made on holding the referendum."

The board has proposed a three-cent increase per $100 assessed valuation which would cost a $30,000 homeowner an additional $3 annually. The tax increase would generate $150,000 over a 15-year period. A decision on the referendum question is expected to be made at the board's April 12 meeting.

Elated by publicity over peanut subsidy

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ford administration farm officials are gleefully hoping former Georgia Gov. Jimmy Carter's connection with the government's $150-million peanut subsidy program will provide the kind of public and political pressure needed for Congress to kill or radically change the program.

A hotly debated farm issue for years, federal peanut subsidies burst onto the national political scene over the weekend when Agriculture Secretary Earl L. Butz said Carter, a candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, has been "growing fat" for years on peanut subsidies. "I'm going to disturb his little playhouse," Butz declared.

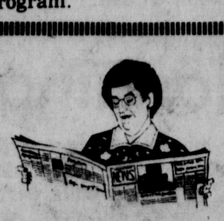
Carter said Monday through a spokesman that he did not receive peanut subsidies, but a USDA spokesman said the Carter farm near Plains, Ga., had collected about $1,280 in 1971 and $1,448 in 1973.

Although those payments hardly were big enough to make Carter financially fat as Butz said, another USDA official said later that the subsidies help all peanut farmers directly and indirectly at the expense of taxpayers.

Carter's brother, Billy, and their mother, Lillian, own a warehouse in Plains that serves as the middleman between 100 to 150 area farmers and the factories that purchase peanuts for making peanut butter and candy.

The family also owns about 4,000 acres devoted to raising peanuts and some corn. Jimmy Carter showed income of $41,398.85 from the warehouse in calendar year 1974.

Kenneth E. Frick, administrator of the department's Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service, said the news headlines generated by Butz and Carter will help publicize what he called an outmoded farm program.



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Brood sows are farrowing all over the rural area. A humorous look at sows and piglets on page 60.



Buys air time from NBC for Wednesday

First four days of May critical to Reagan campaign

WASHINGTON (AP) — For Ronald Reagan, the first four days of May loom as crucial ones, with a set of presidential primary elections his managers believe will make or break his campaign for the White House.

First, Reagan plans an effort to define in his own terms the issues of the campaign for the Republican nomination. That process begins with a nationally televised speech by the former California governor.

Reagan's address is being taped today in Hollywood and will be televised at 10:30 p.m. EST Wednesday by the NBC television network, which is charging $100,000 to carry the 30-minute address.

With that, Reagan's camp hopes to revive the challenge to President Ford, winner in five out of six of the early primaries. Reagan's win was in the most recent test, a week ago in North Carolina.

The campaign overhaul was in the works before Reagan's upset, 52-per cent victory there. John P. Sears, his campaign manager, said the initial goal is to define the issues in Reagan's own terms instead of responding to what has been said about him.



RONALD REAGAN

Sears said Reagan was able to do that in fashioning his North Carolina victory, concentrating on questions of foreign policy and defense — and on charges that the administration is letting the United States slip to No. 2 in military might.

Reagan began his race vowing to challenge what he called the "buddy system" in Washington. He apparently wants to go back to that theme.

The television talk will include a plea for funds, but Sears said he doubts it will bring in much more than the program costs.

Success or failure of the new Reagan push will not get its major test for a month. Reagan is not entered in the April 6 New York primary, and has dropped his personal campaign for the Wisconsin primary the same day. Ford will campaign in Wisconsin Friday and Saturday.

"We don't have great expectations," Sears said. "There isn't any plan for Reagan to go there...."

Instead, the Reagan strategy aims at three primaries in the South and one in the Midwest, all during the first week of May.

Texas, with 100 GOP delegates, votes May 1. Sears said a victory there is essential. Then, on May 4, there are three more primaries, in Georgia, Alabama and Indiana with 139 delegates among them.

"Get going there, and we'll have a good shot the rest of the way," Sears said.

By the same token, he acknowledged that defeats in those primaries would effectively eliminate Reagan as a credible candidate.

Reagan himself avoids settling on any state vote as crucial to his campaign, saying only that he intends to be in the race all the way.

In private strategy sessions as in public, Sears said, Reagan has dismissed without discussion the possibility of withdrawing. "He's been the most adamant about not getting out," Sears said.



Captive audience

Soviet Defense budget is 15 per cent of GNP

WASHINGTON (LENS)— Every spring, along with daffodils, cherry blossoms and the submission of the American defense budget, there comes from Washington news of an unexpected Soviet military challenge. Usually it is a new missile, or submarines off the American coast. But this year there are two differences: the subject is the Soviet defense budget; and it looks more serious than the normal spring fuss.

The CIA is in the process of radically revising its estimates of Soviet military spending. The result will probably show that the Soviet Union is spending almost twice as much as was previously thought, amounting perhaps to 15 per cent of its gross national product. James Schlesinger, the former defense secretary, told Congress in October that Russia could be outspending the United States on weapons by up to 50 per cent, and widening the gap. But the official American estimates are the responsibility of the CIA, and its analyses are so esoteric that the differences of view did not come sharply into focus until last month.

America's traditional practice is to calculate Russian defense spending in two different ways: a "ruble" estimate, to measure the burden on the Soviet economy, and a "dollar" estimate that tries to compare the Soviet effort with the American one.

There are two main methods of working out the ruble figure. One is to pick out certain items from the Soviet budget that are believed to involve covert spending on defense and add them to the admitted defense budget. The other is to analyse Soviet industrial production in order to estimate the value of the military equipment.

To get a dollar equivalent from either result, the usual method is to think up plausible exchange rates for various categories of military spending and convert the ruble figures into dollars at these rates.

The CIA is now rethinking all its assumptions. For example, ever since the early 1960s it has been assumed that the Soviet economy was markedly more efficient in the military field than in civilian production. This may no longer be true; it may never have been true. Russian defense manpower, which includes many civilians doing support work, is now thought to be much bigger than was once believed. And there are a number of unresolved issues about dollar conversion. In particular, personnel costs— things like looking after soldiers' dependents, housing and pensions— are not thought to be sufficiently "Americanized" to make the present conversion rates valid.

The size and quality of the Soviet forces actually arrayed against the United States and NATO are known pretty accurately. So does it matter how much they cost the Russians?

It does. The purpose of intelligence is to indicate what your opponents are able and likely to do. Malcolm Currie, the Defense Department's research director, told Congress last month that he believed Russia could "achieve dominance in deployed military technology in the 1980s" if current trneds continued. The NATO allies need to know if "current trends" will in fact continue, and it makes all the difference to know how much the Russians are now spending on defense.

To be sure, generals never think they have enough. On Feb. 25 the North Vietnamese army— surely one of the most heavily equipped armies in the world, with all those weapons it has taken from the South Vietnamese— said it needs still more arms for "protecting the country." The Russian defense budget no doubt reflects this universal tendency. But it may also show that Soviet generals have more political clout than their Western opposite numbers.

If they've got 15 per cent of the country's GNP, they must have.

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Focus on handicapped

By DON OAKLEY

For millions of Americans, "Hire the Handicapped, It's Good Business"— has been little more than a slogan once seen on envelopes next to cancelled stamps.

Thanks, however, to increasing implementation of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act of 1973, possibly also as a by-product of "affirmative action" hiring programs for women and members of minority groups, American business is discovering that even those with such seemingly insurmountable handicaps as blindness or confinement to a wheelchair can make good employes.

Helping along the discovery is the federal government, which under the provisions of the law can deny contracts to any company doing at least $2,500 worth of business with the government that does not make a "reasonable" effort to hire the handicapped and accommodate their disabilities. Accommodation may include such things as lowering water fountains and altering restrooms for people in wheelchairs, or installing warning lights on machinery for the deaf.

Elsewhere, the technology of assistive devices for the handicapped and disabled has made striking advances, but the process of getting these developments to the handicapped has lagged and is uncoordinated.

Most buildings are still constructed for so-called normal people, when for little or no extra cost doors could be built wider and lamps installed for wheelchairs and braille numbers be placed alongside elevator buttons.

Fortunately the special problems and needs of the handicapped are receiving increasing attention from experts in a variety of fields, not only in this country but worldwide. A unique congress convening in Cannes, France, March 28 through April 2 will bring together an expected 400 men and women from 40 countries representing such different but interrelated backgrounds as medical doctors, psychologists, bioengineers, sociologists, government officials, insurance managers, members of veterans and disabled organizations and inventors and manufacturers of all forms of assistive devices.

The purpose of the "Second International Congress on Prosthetic Techniques and Functional Rehabilitation" is to examine all aspects of the problems confronting handicapped people who use assistive devices, with emphasis on the psychological, social and economic.

It is hoped that from this multidisciplinary approach will emerge programs and recommendations to enable all countries to make better use of the human resources of their handicapped.

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S. Korea is not another Vietnam

By BYUNG KI HAN

Byung Ki Han is ambassador of the Korean Mission to the United Nations.

I have never regarded myself an alarmist, but in thinking of South Korea's future, I do view with concern what seems to be a fundamental shift in American attitudes regarding foreign affairs.

The shift is toward non-involvement— toward what used to be called isolationism; but it has not quite reached that stage of withdrawal. The impelling motivation in this shift has been disenchantment— to use a very mild term— over the Vietnam War.

I'd like to change all that with a magic wand. But lacking that, I'll try words— frank words that are as much a South Korean characteristic as American.

There are 42,000 U.S. troops in South Korea. They are a thorn in the side of North Korea, as well they might be. North Koreans are intent on aggression. They tried to blow up the presidential palace in Seoul. They've dug tunnels under the DMZ. And through their friends, they are sowing mischief at the United Nations.

The present situation at the UN is ludicrous. The General Assembly passed two resolutions regarding Korea and, incredible as it may seem, they contradict each other. Both concern the dissolution of the United Nations Command in Korea.

One, sponsored by the United States and other Western countries, agreed to the dissolution, provided that there is an alternate mechanism to preserve the armistice in Korea.

A second resolution introduced by the Communists and some of the Third World Countries calls for the same dissolution of the United Nations Command— but insists on the withdrawal of U.S. troops with any provision to replace the armistice agreement.

South Korea cannot accept that condition— either on grounds of sovereignty or on practical grounds. Those troops are in the Republic of Korea as the result of a bilateral treaty with the U.S. The right to protect its citizens through normal means of defense, including treaties with friendly foreign powers, is a sovereign right South Korea cannot permit to be infringed.

It is a situation fraught with danger. If the United States forces pulled out of South Korea, North Korea would consider the time to be ripe once again for an all-out invasion, as they did in 1949. On the other hand, the very presence of American troops acts as a psychological deterrent to Northern aggressive intentions and thus should allay American fears of direct involvement.

But when you get right down to it, why should Americans care?

For one thing, the continuation of the Republic of Korea as a free nation, tied by treaties of mutual defense to the United States, relates directly to another of America's friends, namely, Japan.

If South Korea were to fall, Japan could easily wish to reconsider its relationship with the United States as some other Asian nations have been doing since the fall of Vietnam.

Let's not forget that South Korea is not without assets in the East Asian power balance: a population of 35 million industrious, intelligent and patriotic citizens; a rapidly expanding economy that is already America's 12th largest trading partner; and large, well-trained, and battle-tested armed forces. If these assets were ever lost to the other side, the entire balance of power in East Asia would be put in jeopardy.

All that is very logical— but there still remains the sticky issue of whether South Korea might become another Vietnam.

The answer is an emphatic no.

The differences, of course, are many. But three of them are issues that were much debated during the Vietnam War.

First, the will of the Korean people is strong. They will fight. They will defend themselves. If they ask for military help from others, it is not foot soldiers or machine gunners that they need.

Second, despite healthy political opposition to the present government in South Korea, there is no split whatsoever on the question of firm resistance to North Korea. Opposition groups are patriots first, politicians second. Right after the Vietnam War, more than a million people, including the opposition party leaders in the National Assembly, turned out in Seoul to pledge vigilance against North Korea and to support the government's call for increased preparedness.

Third, corruption in South Korea— while some exists— is not the crippling sort that would make it impossible for the government to handle a war because it had lost the confidence of the people.

It is relatively small-scale and something is being done about it. Hundreds of civil servants were fired this past year. Punishment is meted out not just to the person taking the bribe but to his superiors as well.

In continuing to support the Republic of Korea through military assistance and through economic loans, the U.S. will not be leaving the door open for the kind of involvement it got into in South Vietnam.

In fact, South Korea's attitude and actions are firmly based on the thought that such assistance should be and can be phased out.

President Park has estimated 1980 as the target date for dispensing with American military support— ground, air, naval or logistical— if North Korea were to attack without Chinese or Soviet assistance.

In support of this goal, the Korean Government has a five-year plan to invest heavily to develop a defense industry.

The aim is to achieve military and economic independence so that the relationship between the Republic of Korea and the United States can evolve into one of partnership. While South Korea will work toward diminishing the kind of involvement that Americans have grown to be weary of, she will remain a loyal and grateful friend of the U.S. for the support Americans have given in the past.

Things Dixon Talked About

10 YEARS AGO

"The Pueblo Indians" will be the topic of a program to be given by Miss Esther Barton at a meeting of the Dixon Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, planned for 2 p.m. Saturday in the Loveland Community House.

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The parade chairman of the Second Annual Petunia Festival Tuesday night announced plans for the parade which will be held the afternoon of July 3. A total of 45 awards will be given for units entered in this year's parade. Entries can be floats, other decorated moving units or marching or riding groups. The parade chairman said he has catalogs available which show various kinds of decorating materials and float ideas.

25 YEARS AGO

Prizes will be offered for the best vegetable gardens in Dixon and vicinity by the local Men's Garden Club. Separate prizes will be given those who have never gardened before. This will be part of a national program sponsored by the Men's Garden Clubs of America to encourage people to grow victory gardens as a means of aiding the defense effort.

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Members of the Phidian Art Club met Tuesday afternoon in the Loveland Community House. The president was welcomed home and presided over the brief business meeting. It was voted to cooperate with the Dixon Woman's Club in the coming Flower Show and to set a table with china and silver, 100 years old. A member read the paper of the afternoon, her subject being "American Residential Architecture."

100 YEARS AGO

The snowstorm, the first of the week, caused the only blockade of the railroads we have had this winter. In the central portion of the state the storm was severe.

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The meeting of the people at the North Dixon schoolhouse, on Saturday evening, fully agreed that the grade of the school should remain as it is. This was a very wise conclusion for the people of North Dixon to arrive at.



"There's small choice in rotten apples . . ."

—Wm. Shakespear

"Taming of the shrew"

Reducing handicap

Braillegrams for the blind and Large-Print Messages for the partially sighted, innovations announced the other day by Western Union, were much reported in the news.

These are just two, however, of a number of recent developments aimed at making life a little easier and more convenient for the 6.5 million Americans who suffer from some form of severe visual impairment, says the American Foundation for the Blind. Some others:

—Several New York restaurants now provide braille menus.

—Dallas airport has braille signs on doors and elevators.

—A blind person can play cards, Scrabble and Monopoly with braille versions of these games.

—The New York subway system has brailled maps and the Chemical Bank of New York has introduced braille checking statewide.

—The Internal Revenue Service allows braille editions of books and magazines to be deducted as a medical expense for the amount exceeding the cost of regular editions.

Unfortunately, says the Foundation, only about 25 per cent of legally blind people are familiar with braille, and only some 12 to 15 per cent can read it with ease.

"Optacon" (short for Optical Tactile Converter), a device with a small camera attachment which converts printed type into raised letters that can be read with the fingers, has been called a major breakthrough. But the device is still very expensive— almost $3,000— and slow to use.

Coming to grips with town planning

SAN FRANCISCO (LENS)— Plans to limit new housing have long been the fashion in many of California's suburban communities, but few have come into effect because building interests on the one hand, and groups working to end discrimination in housing on the other, have challenged their legality.

Last month the Supreme Court cleared the way for such schemes by refusing to hear a challenge to the "Petaluma plan." This plan put strict limits on new housing in Petaluma, 40 miles north of San Francisco.

A dozen years ago Petaluma was a quiet farm town. Now it is a city of 40,000 people. The sudden growth overloaded the local services, and the new housing built to cope with the influx threatened to overwhelm the little place with its 19th century wooden houses and remarkable iron shopfronts.

The alarmed residents readily supported the plan of its vigorous mayor, Helen Putnam, to limit new housing units to 500 a year. After a two-year moratorium on all building, they voted four to one in 1973 in favor of the new regulations.

Builders and developers went to court to challenge the right of a community to restrict the citizen's freedom to live where he wants. They won in the lower court and lost on appeal. An impressive array of national interest groups lined up on either side.

Concern is not limited to California. Many other towns and cities have been trying to limit their growth, with mixed results in the courts. Restrictions in New Jersey and Pennsylvania were ruled out in court because they smacked of discrimination against black or working-class occupiers.

Petaluma's plan is considered special because it imposes standards for builders to meet if they want to share in the allocation of the 500 new housing units permitted each year. Builders score "points" by submitting plans for houses that fit best with public facilities, blend unobtrusively with the landscape and add least to the volume of traffic. To the considerable surprise of city officials, bids have been pouring in, some even from Britain.

Now that the legal path is clear, several California cities intend to put similar plans into effect. One town, Davis, with a large university population, wants to make new housing not just more orderly but more equitable. Its scheme requires that at least a third of the limited number of new houses or apartments built each year be sold for under $35,000.

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14-year-old knows much of Beirut war

BEIRUT, Lebanon (AP) — Thunder has been living by the gun for more than a year now, and he's proud of it.

The uniform of the leftist Moslem Ambushers militia flaps on his slight frame, but he swings his AK47 assault rifle around like any other soldier.

Thunder is 14. His real name is Bassam Awdeh.

Until civil war became a way of life in Lebanon, he was a pupil in a Beirut elementary school, studying Arabic and English. He still knows how to say, "What is your name, mister?"

As a rocket exploded just above him Saturday, his companions ran for safety. Thunder laughed cockily and taunted them in his native Arabic.

"What are you running for?" he said. "It's just incoming from those Phalangist dogs."

The Phalange party militia, the largest Christian fighting force, had occupied the three-tower Starco office complex for six months, until Thunder and a band of older Ambushers took it over last week after fierce fighting.

"I was in on the first attack," Thunder boasted.

Thunder and his comrades moved into a wrecked office that used to house a travel agency, cooking their food on a hot plate and taking sporadic shelling from Christian positions.

The teen-ager picked up a telephone and said he was dialing a Phalange office on the Christian side of Beirut.

"Brother of a whore," he shouted into the receiver, following up with stronger obscenities. "I'm not going to give you a chance to speak; no, brother of a whore," he cried and slammed down the phone.

Thunder's father is still working at his old job as an ironer. But most of his seven brothers also have been caught up in the war.

"Why are you fighting?" he was asked.

"For Lebanon," he responded quickly.

The Doctor Says:

Stress can aggravate condition

By LAWRENCE LAMB, M.D.

DEAR DR. LAMB— My dad is 58 years of age. He has had atrial fibrillation for two years and takes a digitalis medicine Inderal and Hydrodiuril. The latter is taken for high blood pressure.

Do these medications indicate a serious condition and what do these medicines do for him? Do you think he should change jobs? Dad says he gets along well except when he gets uptight or has to talk on the phone for any lengthy period of time. Then the firbrillation commences and he has to stop and relax a bit.

DEAR READER— Atrial fibrillation means that the top collecting sacs of the heart, called the atria, are twitching at a rapid rate, usually around 500 times a minute. Ordinarily the upper part of the heart contracts and squeezes blood into the lower part of the heart before each effective heartbeat. During fibrillation, the upper chambers don't contract and only a few of these twitching movements at a rate of 500 per minute get through to the lower part of the heart. How many get through usually determines how fast the pulse rate is. The pulse is often irregular in these conditions. How a person feels with it also depends on how fast and irregular the pulse rate is. Rapid atrial fibrillation can cause serious disability.

Atrial fibrillation can occur in short attacks like attacks of rapic heart action or be a persistent irregularity. It is not the only cause for irregular heart beats, however. Premature contractions or extra beats, originating from either the atria at the top of the heart or ventricles from the bottom of the heart, can cause irregularities of the heart.

The importance of atrial fibrillation depends on what causes it. It can occur in relatively healthy individuals with no apparent underlying heart disease. Even in this condition if the heart rate is too rapid, it can be disabling just like attacks of rapid heart action. It can also be caused by acute illness such as severe diarrhea or following a bout of alcoholism or as a complication of a more serious illness such as a recent heart attack or other forms of underlying heart disease.

The fact that your father has high blood pressure and is taking medicine for it implies that he has underlying heart disease. He may be taking the digitalis medicine to strengthen his heartbeat or help control his heart rate and fibrillation. The Inderal is also designed to help prevent irritability of his heart and protect him against such attacks. These are commonly used medicines in this situation.

Only your doctor can tell you for sure what your dad's status is since he has his records and knows the severity of his high blood pressure and other medical factors.

That means your doctor is going to have to tell you whether he should or should not change jobs. It is true that stress and tension can sometimes aggravate underlying medical conditions.

(Newspaper Enterprise Assn.)



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The miniature tractor with the big scoop in foreground is the Wheelbarrow Mark VII, a remote-controlled vehicle developed to investigate and neutralize explosive devices. Demonstrated by the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department, it has a mounted TV camera to monitor operations, controlled arms to lift object and the capability to climb stairs.

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For Wednesday, March 31, 1976

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Though your intentions are good today, others may not fully approve of your methods. Consider their views.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You may have a tendency today to give up too easily if what you hope to accomplish can't be done at once. Hang in there.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Don't take financial risks today in unfamiliar areas, or on people you know little about. It could prove expensive.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You may find yourself more in the spotlight than you realize today. Don't do anything to jeopardize your standing.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Usually you have a rather optimistic outlook. Today, you could prejudge situations negatively before they even occur.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Someone who has borrowed from you, and who has not yet totally paid up, may seek to borrow again today.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Today your actions may be hampered because you're overly concerned with their effect on associates. Try to please yourself first.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Treat co-workers as diplomatically as possible today or you might experience a minor insurrection. Sugarcoat your demands.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) In social situations today, put your best foot forward. If you're not on guard you may do something to make a poor impression.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan 19) Temporarily set aside a task which may have a doubtful outcome. Tackle it in a day or so, when you're in a more positive frame of mind.

AQUARIUS (Jan 20-Feb. 19) Give yourself a little reprieve today from pursuits of a mental nature. Do something that's fun — but physical, as well.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) It would be wise to keep a tight rein on your purse strings today. Don't assume new obligations unless they're essential.

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People in the news

NEW YORK (AP) — John Carpenter, a 29-year-old tenor from Natchitoches, La., tied for first place in the Metropolitan Opera National Council auditions and received a contract with the Met.

Carpenter tied with soprano Ashley Putnam of Franklin Lakes, N.J., on Sunday in what a spokesman for the opera company said was an outcome unprecedented in the history of the annual auditions.

The Met only awards one contract as a result of the competition. There was no second-place award. Third place among the 11 finalists was won by Sunny Joy Langton, 22, Bloomington, Ind.

WASHINGTON (AP) — First Lady Betty Ford joined singer Helen Reddy on the stage of Constitution Hall to cheer on Miss Reddy and "our great cause," ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment.

Some 2,000 persons turned out for Saturday night's fund-raising concert, which included a finale performance by Miss Reddy of her song "I Am Woman," the theme song of International Women's Year.

Four more states are needed to ratify the ERA, which has been approved by 34 states. It must be ratified by 38 states by March 1979 to become the 27th amendment to the Constitution.

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Dr. Jonas Salk says it's imperative that Americans be vaccinated — without delay — against a predicted outbreak of a deadly influenza strain expected next autumn.

"If you were to wait until September and wait for early signs, then it would be too late," said the famed medical researcher.

Salk, developer of the first polio vaccine and founder of the Salk Institute for Biological Studies here, supported President Ford's plan to inoculate the entire U.S. population against swine flu, an outbreak of which was recently reported in New Jersey.

In a weekend interview, Salk said the program should have been undertaken years ago. "It will always be beneficial," he said, "because we know that when a virus begins to recycle it becomes a prevalent virus for several years. Therefore, we can't lose."

PARIS (AP) — Ex-Beatle Paul McCartney and his group, Wings, have postponed a 31-concert tour of the United States because guitarist Jimmy McCuloch slipped in the bathroom and broke his hand, according to the Wings' publicity agent.

The tour was to open in Fort Worth, Tex., April 8. A rescheduled tour is planned for May and June.

McCuloch, 22, fractured a finger on his left hand after Wings ended a European tour in Paris on Friday night.

Legal

Estate of William H. Thompson, deceased. No. 76-P-142

William H. Thompson died February 17, 1976. Letters of Administration were issued March 26, 1976, to John W. Thompson, Box 75, Nelson, Illinois 61058, whose Attorneys are: Merrick & Merrick, 105 East Second Street, Dixon, Illinois 61021. Claims may be filed within 6 months from the date said Letters were issued. Any claim not filed within that period is barred as to the estate inventoried within that period.

HAROLD W. HUFFMAN
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Lee County, Illinois
March 30, April 6, 13, 1976

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to PL 91-616, the Federal Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment, and Rehabilitation Act of 1970, the Division of Alcoholism, Illinois Department of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities will submit to the Region V office of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, the Annual Progress Report, and the Illinois State Plan for the Prevention, Treatment, and Control of Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism. The Annual Progress Report provides information relating to the implementation of the March 1975 Addendum to the Illinois State Plan of April 1, 1974, and covers the twelve month period ending June 30, 1975. The new Illinois State Plan will describe program and budget planning for the use of Federal Alcoholism Funds for the twelve month period ending June 30, 1977.

Both the Annual Progress Report and the Illinois State Plan are public documents and will be available for public review starting April 1, 1976, in the offices of the Division of Alcoholism, Suite 1900, 188 West Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois 60601, and the Division of Alcoholism, McFarland Mental Health Center, 901 Southwind Road - B77, Springfield, Illinois 62703, and the office of the Regional Alcoholism Coordinator, 4402 North Main St., Rockford, Illinois 61103.

Comment by interested persons is invited and should be sent to said offices as soon as possible.

March 29, 30, 31, April 1, 2, 3, 5, 1976



BIG HAND on public view (above) belongs to a star receiving nightly big hands from the public. Publicity-shy Katharine Hepburn (below) is a personal hit in a new Broadway production, "A Matter of Gravity", which critics found otherwise disappointing.



Legal

INVITATION FOR BIDS

Sealed bids are requested by the Illinois Department of Transportation for Masonry and Concrete Work. Bids will be received at the Illinois Department of Transportation Building, 819 Depot Avenue, Dixon, Illinois, until 10:00 A.M.-C.S.T., Friday, April 9, 1976, at which time they will be publicly opened and read aloud. Complete information including specifications and bidding forms may be obtained by contacting James Wasilewski, Business Services Manager, at the Illinois Department of Transportation, 819 Depot Avenue, Dixon, Illinois.

D. E. SUNMARK
District Engineer
March 30, 31, 1976

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Mining operations under fire

VIRGINIA CITY, Nev. (AP) An engineering professor says the exploration company he heads has discovered untapped gold and silver in the remains of the legendary Comstock Lode, and he wants to mine it.

But not everyone in this near ghost town that survives atop the mines that plundered the Comstock believes it; and if it is true, not everyone will be happy.

Dick Wyman, president of Intermountain Exploration Co. of Boulder City, Nev., and chairman of the engineering department at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, said his firm has made "a substantial discovery" of high-grade gold and silver ore about two miles south of Virginia City on the Comstock Lode.

The Comstock Lode was the largest body of precious ore on earth and gave up millions of dollars in gold and silver in the final decades of the last century. After six years of test core drillings across 120 feet of vein, Wyman is convinced it can do it again.

Wyman said the ore has an average grade of .89 ounces of gold and about .58 ounces of silver per ton for a gross value of $122 per ton. Extraction costs would be about $15 per ton, he said, and starting up the operation would cost more than $1 million.

But his proposal is meeting with disbelief and opposition from Storey County officials and residents of this little town, which is dedicated to the memories of old-time mining and now makes its living from tourists.

"I'm sure no one wants to see a mine operating when they come up here," said Joe Curtis.

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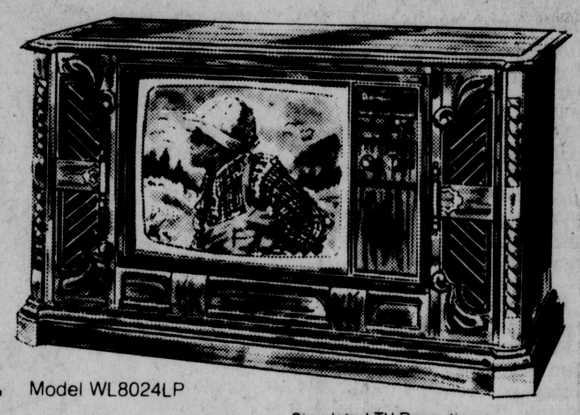
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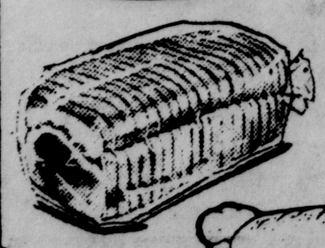
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The Worry Clinic

By DR. GEORGE W. CRANE

CASE G-444: Tom Gorman is a National League baseball umpire.

"Dr. Crane," a high school coach recently asked, "I heard Tom Gorman make an interesting comment about the way players react to his decisions.

"Tom says the bigger the players are, the less they argue with the umpire.

"Thus, he claims the umpires never heard a word of complaint out of Stan Musial, Roberto Celemente or Willie Mays.

"For Tom insists such outstanding players never try to make the umpire look bad.

"Dr. Crane, what is the psychological explanation underlying the fact that the big men gripe the least?"

Small Dogs Bark

Remember the old adage that states:

"Still water runs deep!"

Our ancestors evolved many similar maxims that are still just as true as the "old-fashioned" multiplication tables and gravity!

"Barking dogs never bite," is another of them.

And while there are occasional exceptions to such rules, it is a general law of psychology that it is the short man who tries to prove he is a big shot.

That's why he tends to act belligerent, even with a baseball umpire and throw his weight around.

Dictators and despots tend to be short men.

Napoleon was thus of short stature.

As well as Hirohito.

So were Mussolini and Hitler.

To make sure the world recognizes them, such short men often tend to "bark" a lot.

But some men who are physically tall, also feel they are "shorted" in their ability, so they occasionally become caustic bosses.

Even a husband who has been belittled in his sex ego by his wife's normal frigidity, then may become a tyrant, who caustically criticizes her and chews out their children, too, to help restore his dwarfed ego.

Another axiom of psychology states that:

"Only a winner can be generous."

In the baseball realm, some of those big players who have high batting averages also have unusually keen eyesight.

So they may realize the validity of the umpire's decision when less keen eyed players try to argue with the umpire.

In business and industry, it has also been found that taller men seem to gravitate upward toward the top executive posts.

In the churches, a survey once showed that the average clergyman in village parishes was 5'7" tall.

Those who handled parishes in towns of 25,000 population, averaged 5'8".

The clerics in the big cities averaged 5'10".

District Superintendents averaged 5'11" while the bishops of that denomination averaged 6' tall.

Being short, however, often spurs on a man to study harder and compensate for his smaller stature, so a lot of outstanding orators, scientists and musicians are below average in height.

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Dixonites see Rantoul cook in action



Leta De La Cruz prepares an Easter bunny mold for her audience during her demonstration of chocolate molding recently at the Loveland Community Building. (Telegraph Photo)

By KAREN HEY

The women who came to see Leta De La Cruz demonstrate chocolate molding last week at the Loveland Community Building learned how easy it is to make candy bars, chocolate-covered cherries, turtles and other chocolate notions.

Mrs. De La Cruz is the owner of the "Cake Boutique" in Rantoul, the "Chocolate Boutique" in Rossville, and operates the second largest cake-decorating school in Illinois. Mrs. Mary Latta, 2118 W. Fourth St., attended one of the sessions and won a free 8-day cake decorating course to Leta's school in September.

Leta's cake-decorating business began four years ago as a hobby in her home. After it began to spread from her spare bedroom to her dining room and into her living room, she packed her supplies and set up shop in downtown Rantoul in 1973. She outgrew that shop in two years and moved to a bigger place where her business is currently located. But she says she is already scouting around for even larger quarters.

She acquired her cake-decorating and cooking skills at the internationally famous Wilton's Cake Decorating School in Chicago and the Robert Pope Cooking School, which Leta referred to as the "highlight of her life."

Last summer Mrs. De La Cruz spent seven weeks studying cooking at the prestigious Cordon Bleu Cooking Schools in London and Paris. She also studied continental cuisine under Swiss chef Marcel Broos, a master cook and member of Europe's elite Chef and Pastry Makers Association. Before her departure Broos gave her the family recipe for Charlotte Russe, a custard-type dessert made with lady fingers and brandy. "But he told me never to divulge the family's secret formula because he knew of several European chefs who would think nothing of travelling to the United States to get it if they thought I would release it." She said she would never betray that trust.

Plans to open a cooking school are in the offing. She will teach her students bread-making, Italian dinners, Mexican cooking, french pastry, general pastry-making, meat and main courses, garnishes and table setting, and proper wine selection. Jerri Ryan, who is a former Dixonite now residing in Rantoul, is a gourmet cook and will assist Leta in teaching the course. Leta's goal is to "show people how easy good cooking is. I want to teach them not to be afraid of it."

Actually a trained medical technician, Leta said she would never go back to a medical career. "I love what I do because I get to see the results of my teaching." Her most challenging job was working with the mentally ill, she said. She also instructed retarded children on how to mold chocolate. "They're the ones," she said, "that take the candy home instead of eating it because they are so proud."

Leta confided that her work has been therapeutic for her since her husband's death in March 1974. "I thought my whole world had collapsed, but my work kept me going and gave me something to focus my attention on. If I could I would stand on every street corner and shout to women that they need to start something that interests them apart from their husbands and children; something that keeps them growing," Because she knows, she added, "Women won't always have their husbands and children; you lose them." The ladies who came to see her demonstration had long since filed out of the room and headed for their homes, so they never heard what is perhaps the most-important lesson Leta De La Cruz teaches her students.

CAKE BOUTIQUE'S WHITE CHOCOLATE CAKE

1-3rd lb. white chocolate
½ cup water
1 cup butter or margarine (Leta said she prefers to use half butter, half margarine)
2 cups sugar
4 eggs, separated
2½ cups sifted cake flour
½ tsp. salt
1½ tsp. baking powder
1 cup buttermilk
1 tsp. vanilla
1 cup chopped pecans or almonds
1 can flaked coconut

Put chocolate and water in double boiler and cook until chocolate melts. Whip with wire whisk until blended and cool. Cream butter and add only 1½ cups sugar until light and fluffy. Add egg yolks. Beat thoroughly. Sift flour with salt and baking powder. Add to creamed mixture in thirds, alternating with buttermilk, vanilla and chocolate. Beat egg whites until soft peaks form. Gradually beat in the ½ cup sugar until stiff but not dry. Gently fold in pecans and coconuts. Put in three, 8-inch cake pans and bake at 350 degrees for 35 minutes or until done. Frost with butter-cream frosting.

The butter-cream frosting recipe Leta uses on her cakes is:

2 lb. powdered sugar
¾ cup hard shortening
2-3rds cup milk
2 tbsp. butter or hard margarine
1 tsp. salt
Flavoring (2 tsp. vanilla)

Combine all ingredients and beat for at least 10 minutes until the frosting is the consistency of whipped cream.

Leta said this frosting can be frozen.

CAKE BOUTIQUES' WHITE FROSTING

2 lbs. powdered sugar
¾ cup hard shortening (Crisco)
2-3rds cup milk
2 tbsp. butter or margarine
⅛ tsp. salt
2 tsp. vanilla or any kind of flavoring

Combine and beat for 10 minutes. Can be frozen and will keep for six months in refrigerator.



With her assistant, Jerri Ryan, looking on, Leta shows the crowd the finished product; a family of chocolate ducks atop a white cake. (Telegraph Photo)

COMMUNITY NEWS

ALCW Circles

Ruth Circle will meet Thursday at 9 a.m., in Mrs. Don Giese's home, 406 Heather Lane when the study leader will be Mrs. Harold Wiggins.

Sarah Circle is set to start at 1:30 p.m., at the church. Mrs. James Devine will be the group's Bible study leader.

Rachel Circle will meet at the church at 7:30 p.m., Thursday with Mrs. Daryl Stientra directing the group.

Questers

Questers Nachusa will meet in the home of Mrs. Marian Morris, Rt. 4, Dixon, Thursday at 7:30 p.m. She will present the program, "Cooking From Scratch." Members are reminded to bring old cookbooks and old cooking utensils to display.

Ruth Circle

The Ruth Circle of St. Paul Lutheran Church will meet Thursday at 2 p.m., in the Fireside Room.

Sunshine Circle

The Sunshine Circle of Grace Methodist Church will meet in the Upper Room at 1:15 p.m. Thursday.

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	♦ K 6	
	♣ 6 3	

Both vulnerable

West	North	East	South
	1 ♣	Pass	1 ♥
Pass	2 N.T.	Pass	3 ♠
Pass	4 ♥	Pass	6 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Opening lead — J ♦

By Oswald & James Jacoby

The late Philip Hal Sims was a giant in every way. He stood six foot three and weighed around 300 pounds that didn't include much fat. He was unquestionably the greatest auction bridge player and no slouch at the game of contract.

Today's hand was misplayed by Oswald Jacoby (then a very young player). Sims, who was watching, said. "You really chucked that one."

Jacoby won the diamond lead in dummy, played the king of trumps and was down one when East showed out on the second lead of the suit.

Today, every expert knows the standard safety play with this combination. You lead a heart to your ace at trick two and then lead back toward dummy. If West plays a low heart you stick in dummy's nine. This will lose a trick to a doubleton queen, but that will be all you lose. Against the actual holding of four to the queen-10 in the West hand you also lose one trick but not two.

Suppose East held four to the queen-10. West would show out. You would rise with dummy's king and lead a third trump toward your jack.

Suppose the trumps broke 5-0. You would have to pay off.

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Should get back to the three 'R's' of education soon

Dear Ann Landers: What is happening to education in this country? Especially the letter "t." Has it dropped out of the alphabet?

I hear people everywhere say, "I wanna do this" and "I'm gonna do that." They can count to "twenny" but have "plenny" of trouble getting the news straight if they are "inerested" in correct pronunciation. Then there are those who run two words together and kill the ending of the last word. For example, "Don'tcha wanna come over?" Or "Why can'tcha go to the movies tonight?"

When the teachers in Chicago were picketing I heard a picketer tell a TV reporter, "I'm livin' on da near nort side now." The man next to her (also a teacher) asked, "Do ya like it dere?" A third teacher in the picket line said she had just returned from Ireland. "Where in Ireland did you go?" she was asked. "Edinburgh," was the reply.

Is it any wonder Johnny can't read and Mary graduates after twelve years of school with an eighth-grade education? I am—Boggled

Dear Bog: If what you hear makes you sick, you should see what I get in the way of spelling and penmanship from high school students.

I am deeply concerned about the deterioration of basic education in this country. The sooner we get back to the three "R's" the better.

Dear Ann Landers: You have mentioned Planned Parenthood in your column from time to time for women who are plagued by unwanted pregnancies. I, for one, need to know which contraceptive would be best for me. I cannot afford to go to a doctor and pay the price of a visit for information I know is available free. But where do I go?

Will you please tell women like me how we can locate the nearest free clinic? It would be a very useful service. Thank you.— One Who Wants A Child By Choice, Not Chance

Dear One: In the past when I have recommended Planned Parenthood I have said, "Look in your phone book." At the risk of sounding like a broken record, I repeat the advice. Look in the phone book. Seven in ten persons live in areas served by a Planned Parenthood agency. The three in ten who do not should phone the Planned Parenthood agency in the nearest large city and ask for guidance.

Dear Ann: Recently you printed a letter from a reader who wanted to know what to do if an elevator crashed. I'm sure it scared the daylights out of people who have a fear of height as well as closed-in places. Please print these reassuring words.

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Dear P.T.C.: I'm pleased to reassure the elevator riders of the world that they needn't worry. Speaking for myself, if it's anything under five floors, I walk. It's good for the heart.

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Green Hills Council

The Green Hills Council of Girl Scouts is holding a "Pioneer Day Festival" June 19, at the Carroll County Fairgrounds near Milledgeville. It will be from 10 a.m. to 11 p.m. The admission is free. There will be entertainment, exhibits, crafts, movies, dances and bands.

The festival will be open to the public.

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Let's Talk About Decorating

By GLADYS WOLBER

Home Furnishing Trends

In the world of fashion as in almost every other area of life, people have chosen to "become their own bosses." No longer will they allow a few people to dictate what they will wear or how they will live. This is also true in the way people are decorating their homes. Today's homemaker is furnishing her home in her own way, to express her own personality. This is producing some exciting trends in interior decorating.

Those four bare walls, for example, are no longer looked on as "places to hang accessories." Many women are turning their walls into personal art galleries where they display paintings, prints and art objects of particular interest to them. Wall coverings have also become a means of self-expression for today's homemakers, who are choosing florals, geometrics, textured and fabric coverings. Carpeting is even being used to add warmth and color to the walls. Women are no longer listening to the old warnings about patterns either. They're now combining two and even more patterns in one room to create some very interesting effects.

Next time, we'll talk more about the new trends in decorating. In the meantime, stop into Dunbar's and talk with one of our professional design counselors. They're trained to help you select the furnishings that will reflect your very own personal tastes and individuality, within your budget, of course! Do so today—we shall be pleased to have you visit with us.

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Agenda completed for marriage symposium

By DONNA M. MANN
Ogle Co. Extension Adviser

Final plans have been completed for the "Marriage Art" symposium to be held Saturday, at the Vagabond Resort in Rochelle. The program is open to the public and will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Exhibits of housewares, photography, floral arrangements, cakes, insurance, credit and family planning materials as well as many other educational exhibits will be on hand.

The University of Illinois, Cooperative Extension Service will provide a number of educational exhibits. Handout information will be available concerning budgets, credit, financial management, foods and nutrition, housing and clothing. The program for the day will be as follows:

10 a.m. — Registration.

10:30 a.m. — Panel Discussion on "Your Wedding — A Memorable Moment in Your Life."

Panel members will include a florist, photographers and caterer.

11 a.m.— Panel, "Consumer Concerns and Legal Aspects of Marriage." Panel members will include a banker, realtor, attorney, tax consultant, family economics adviser and insurance representative.

12:00 noon — Luncheon.

1:30 p.m. — Fashion Show — "Bridal and Vacation Wear."

Program participants will include: Jim Regnier, Lawyer; John Connolly, realtor; Sandra Julifs, taxes; Kathy Beyer, insurance representative; Mark Tilton, banker; Frances Reeverts, specialized adviser, family economics; Jerry Danekas, florist; Jerry Dempsey, Lynn Heeren and Bill Wolff photographers, and Mrs. Georgia Ferguson, caterer.

The public is welcome. Luncheon tickets are available at a cost of $3.55 from participating businesses, but you do not have to purchase a luncheon ticket to attend.

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ART IN FASHION covers the T-shirt world. Here trotters (left) are depicted on sophisticated top. To go with a tennis dress is an appropriate court scene in long or short sleeve T-shirt. Both are designed by Rombola for Miss Ingenue.

Plight of working mother

Who will take care of my child?

The number of working mothers is increasing at such a rapid pace that good day care facilities are not available to meet the demand, according to Mrs. Margaret Scholl, licensing worker for the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services. The U.S. Department of Labor estimated that, in 1970, there were 10 million working mothers with children under 18 years of age and the number has been increasing each year.

"All working mothers face a common problem: Who will care for my child? Yet most mothers look for more than just a baby-sitter," says Scholl. "What they seek is an adult who will take a parental interest in the child— someone who will look after the total needs of the youngster, including his physical, emotional, intellectual and social development during the hours he is separated from his parents. Because working hours vary according to the parent's occupation, both day and night child care homes are needed in many communities. But what is essential is that they be good homes which provide something more than just "child watching," she stressed.

Laws Assure Protection

"By the 1950s," Mrs. Scholl said, "it had become clear that serious problems could become associated with day care; child abuse, neglect, substandard care, overcrowding, health hazards, inadequate supervision, even cases of children contracting communicable diseases. Most states began to pass laws calling for licensing of day care centers and homes. Legislators reasoned that a first step toward elimination of programs hazardous to children would be to assure that all child care personnel and facilities meet certain minimum standards."

The first Illinois Child Care Act was passed in 1957. It was amended several times thereafter, and an entirely new version of the act became law in 1969. It requires anyone who provides care for an unrelated child outside the child's own home to obtain a license from the state. The license is issued by the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services.

As a basis for licensing, minimum standards have been established concerning the number of children to be cared for, the physical condition of the home, food served, hours the children are in the home, sleep and play areas, and health of the family. If a person shows reasonable compliance with the law, a license is granted by the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services. The license is free and remains in effect for two years.

Mrs. Scholl gave her definition of a Day Care Home and Day Care Mother. A good Day Care Home is one that is clean and bright and free from health and safety hazards; that has adequate space, furnishings and equipment to meet the needs of the children under care; that is well heated and ventilated; whose household members are in good health and free of communicable diseases; whose household members are known to have a sincere interest in the welfare of children.

A Day Care Mother is someone who enjoys working with children and does a good job of it; who prefers to work in her own home; who recognizes the importance of individual attention, nutrition, exercise and intellectual stimulation in the development of the young child; and who takes a professional attitude toward her work and understands her role to be much more than baby-sitting.

Advantages of Licensing

What does a license signify? "For the mother looking for a day care home for her youngster, it means that the home is reasonably safe and clean. It means that her child is likely to receive nutritious food in a setting which provides adequate sleep and play facilities. It means that the person in charge is interested in the welfare of children and that all persons with whom the child will come in contact are reasonably healthy and free of communicable diseases. For the day care mother," Mrs. Scholl said, "the license means that she can legally advertise her home freely and that her home may be listed by the department or other agencies as a licensed care facility."

The ultimate goal of the State of Illinois is to encourage and assist individuals to provide child care, adequate in quality and quantity, and available and accessible to all families in Illinois who need it, said Mrs. Scholl.

If you are interested in providing day are or know someone who would like to receive more information, contact Mrs. Margaret Scholl, Licensing Worker, Illinois Department of Children and Family Services, Rock Falls Field Office, 203½ First Avenue, Rock Falls, Illinois 61071, or telephone (815) 625-7594.

Winners of Town and Country Art Show announced

The 1976 Town and Country Art Show, sponsored by the Cooperative Extension Service of Lee and Ogle Counties was held Sunday, at Sauk Valley College with Andrew Langoussis, art professor at Rockford College, Rockford, serving as jurist.

Mr. Langoussis presented a critique of the show before an audience of 60 persons.

Amateur artists who won first-place blue ribbons include: Freya Lazier, collage, Dixon; Charles Kested, watercolor, Dixon; Gerald Mosher, linocut print, Dixon; Connie Livingston, weaving, Polo; and Jessie Manring, oil, Stillman Valley.

Winners of honorable mention are Rosemary Walker, mixed-media, collage and painting with acrylic and ink. Dixon; Betty Barnett, oil, Stillman Valley; Christine Davis, watercolor, Mt. Morris; Rita Groth, acrylic, Polo; and Carol Merry, oil, Polo.

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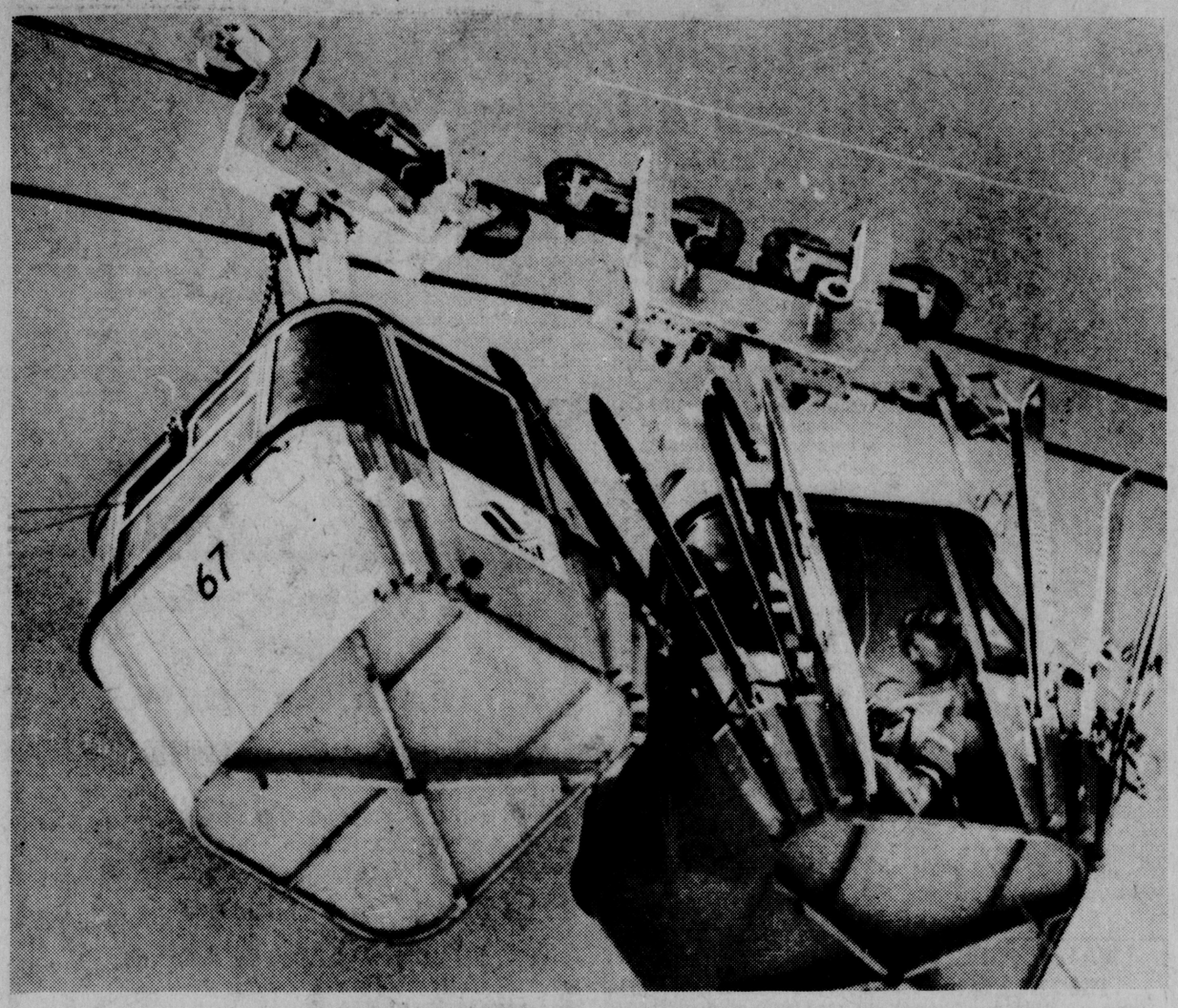
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Today in History

By The Associated Press

Today is Tuesday, March 30, the 90th day of 1976. There are 276 days left in the year.

Today's highlight in history:

On this date in 1867, Russia agreed to sell Alaska to the United States for $7.2 million.

On this date:

In 1822, a territorial government was established in Florida.

In 1842, ether reputedly was used as an anesthetic for the first time by Dr. Crawford Long in Jefferson, Ga.

In 1870, the 15th amendment to the U.S. Constitution was ratified. It declared that voting rights could not be denied because of race, color or previous condition of servitude.

Also in 1870, Texas was readmitted into the Union after the Civil War.

In 1940, Japan established a puppet government in occupied China.

In 1962, nearly 1,200 prisoners captured in the Bay of Pigs invasion in Cuba were being tried by a military court at a baseball stadium in Havana.

Ten years ago: The French government notified the United States that U.S. bases in France must be closed within 12 months.

Five years ago: The 24th Congress of the Soviet Communist party opened in Moscow.

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Seattle takes energy questions to more than 233,000 residents

SEATTLE (AP) — The butcher, the baker and the ferryboat captain — and thousands of other citizens — have been asked to help determine how Seattle will meet its energy needs in the next 15 years.

The project is code-named "Energy 1990," and its first step is under way with questionnaires sent to about 233,000 residents.

"I don't know if any other cities are seeking citizen input on something like this, but I know they're not doing it on this broad a scale," said Seattle City Light spokesman Mike Sharar. "Let's see ... we have questionnaires set out in bills, newspaper polls, we plan public hearings and community meetings — and, of course, people are welcome to write in at any time."

The study and the information it solicits from the public will be considered by the Seattle City Council when it decides in May whether City Light should, among other alternatives, join with other public utilities in building nuclear power plants to generate electricity.

More than 7,000 persons have responded in the first two weeks of an eight-week survey.

The questionnaires ask: "Would you be willing to participate in a major conservation effort if it would eliminate the need for building new plants to generate electricity?"

Another question asks a resident to rate several energy strategies for meeting Seattle's energy needs. Among them: more hydro-electric plants, nuclear generation plants, coal generation plants, and encouraging use of electricity to replace oil and natural gas and develop all feasible ways of generating electricity.

Other questions ask the resident's feelings about nuclear power ("I believe nuclear power plants are safe," "I do not believe," "I am uncertain," etc.) and what ways would the resident be willing to cut electrical consumption ("Turn down thermostat to 68," "Install storm windows," etc.)

A 2,000-page report has been prepared by consultants to help the public and city officials come to conclusions about Seattle's energy future.

The report — and a summary — is available in libraries. City Light officials said a small brochure describing the findings will be published. In the report the city consultants suggest possible energy "futures":

—Continuing past policies and assuming an annual growth in electrical load of 3.5 per cent, requiring the city to participate in the $2 billion construction of two nuclear plants planned by the Washington Public Power Supply System.

—Continue past policies and same load growth, build Copper Creek Dam and raise Ross Dam and build a coal-fired power plant.

—Encourage use of electricity to replace oil and gas, resulting in annual load growth of 7 per cent and requiring City Light participation in six additional power plants beyond those already planned, or construction of a coal-fired plant for the city's sole use.

—"Moderate conservation" efforts to reduce the annual growth rate to 1.5 per cent by 1990. Some new generation would be needed, either by raising Ross Dam, participating in the two nuclear plants or construction of a city coal-fired plant.

—The annual growth rate of 3.5 per cent would be reduced to no-growth by 1990. No additional generation would be required. Load-reducing measures would include one electrical rate for those who take energy-saving measures, another rate for those who don't. There would be mandatory insulation standards.

—Do nothing for two years until political, technical and economic conditions are better known.

—Do nothing at all.

The city consultants predict that the City Council will probably ultimately adopt a program of some new generation, stronger conservation efforts and, perhaps, a rate system to encourage conservation.

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Financial troubles plague Israeli officials, Rabin

TEL AVIV, Israel (AP) — Israeli officials are quarreling over money and the fuss ranges from military training to free orange juice for mailmen.

Political commentators are saying that budget problems, labor relations and the tightening grip of recession could present Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin's Labor party government with the gravest domestic ordeal since it took office almost two years ago.

Part of the problem is inflation, which has hit Israelis at a combined rate of 117 per cent for the past two years. Now the Defense Ministry complains that Israel's military machine faces another 32 per cent jump in prices this year.

Ministry officials have protested to the treasury that the vital defense allotment of $4.4 billion — more than one-third of the country's entire budget — allows for only 25 per cent higher prices, and the military needs another $175 million.

The treasury has refused, and Defense Ministry sources say this means less army training, less research and development for new equipment, and no reduction of Israel's dependance on the United States for weapons.

Rabin's Cabinet voted later, however, to review the budget if the Defense Ministry can't pay its bills.

The financial pinch extends beyond the Defense Ministry. Postal rates are going up by 33 per cent and an Israeli lucky enough to get a new telephone will have to pay $217 to install it. The national bus company has reduced its services and fired 450 drivers, but says it will still be unable to meet its next payroll.

The Friedman Co., a Jerusalem firm whose stoves and burners heat most Israeli homes, has laid off half its workers. The Red Sea town of Elath is deeply concerned by the government's decision to close its Timna copper mines, which were smelting ore in Biblical times but now produce at a loss of millions of dollars a year.

Income Tax Commissioner Yitzhak Mann has resigned, complaining that Israel's tax reforms have not gone far enough toward increasing government revenues.

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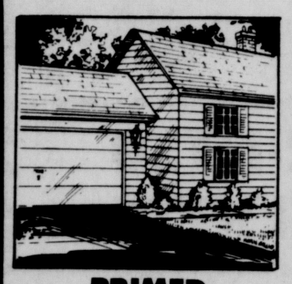
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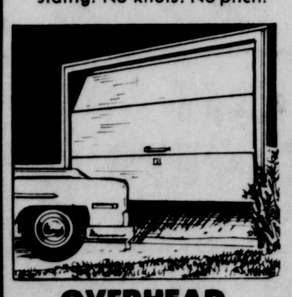

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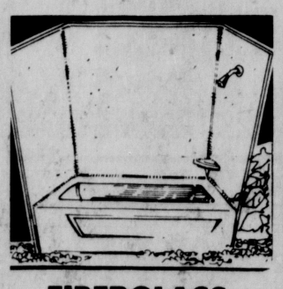

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Era of stock installment buying comes to a close

NEW YORK (AP) — People's capitalism has suffered another setback. The stock market Monthly Investment Plan, which permitted installment buying of stocks, has ended. As the Wall Street Journal put it: "It's RIP for MIP."

The MIP had seemed to be a great idea in the late 1950s and early 1960s, when the post-World War II boom was transforming America, and America had enough left over to help transform Europe and Japan as well.

Brokers, corporate executives and exchange officials, flush with profits and fees and bonuses, thought everyone should share in the good fortune. "It's your right to own a piece of America," they said.

Many ordinary Americans finally overcame their memories of the 1930s and made the commitment, a lot of them through the monthly plan, under which you could buy even a small fraction of a share of a company.

The shareholder population soared. In 1956 there were only 8.6 million shareholders, but by 1970 the figure had leaped to more than 30 million. This, it was proclaimed, was the era of people's capitalism.

It didn't last long, at least in this form.

As Wall Street's business boomed, its indifference to the individual seemed to be more manifest. Many brokers declined to accept small accounts. They were a nuisance; some brokers claimed they were a financially costly one.

Then came the Street's worst debacle since the 1929 collapse. It couldn't keep up with all the business thrown its way, and some brokers collapsed in confusion. Scores of them were dissolved.

As some of the brokerage houses collapsed their bookkeeping became even more chaotic, and the accounts of many small investors were tied up for many months. When they finally got their money, many investors were thoroughly disillusioned.

The shareholder population began to slide as more and more people realized that prices moved in two directions. Price swings became violent, and many an individual who was paper rich on Monday found himself with losses on Friday.

The market was becoming institutionalized with pension and mutual funds and the like, and the massive trading power of these institutions, to a large degree, produced these violent price changes. More individuals withdrew.

Commissions went up. The individual investor has to pay his own way, it was argued. These small accounts were costly, the brokers argued. We can handle institutional accounts at a much lower per unit cost.

As the shareholder population shrank, stock exchange officials became alarmed. Perhaps belatedly, it was recognized that the individual investor was essential to the functioning of the stock market, which is an auction market.

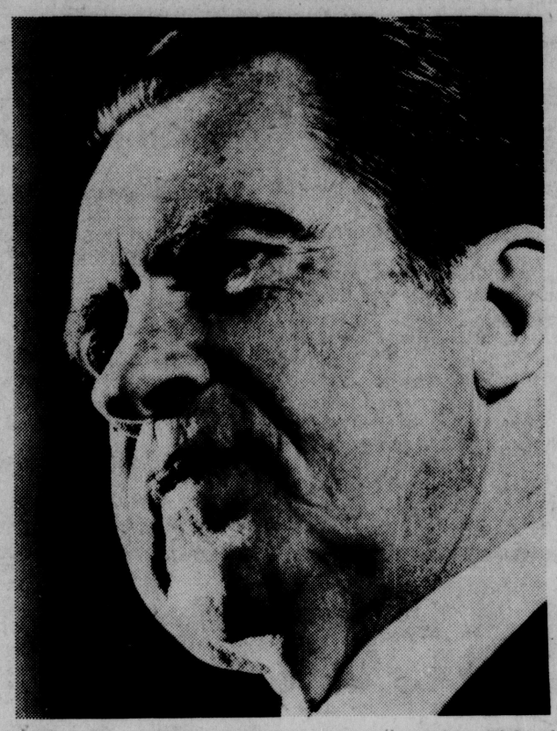
In any auction you need bids and offers, and individuals — a random assortment of them — are likely to give you a fair match of both. Institutions, however, often thought alike. Imbalances between buy and sell orders could result.

Imbalances did develop, in fact, as was demonstrated by some very wide swings in price that became more common.

Speeches were made on the necessity of reattracting individuals to the market, but another market was now offering opposition. Interest rates were rising, and a good many investors returned to their old role of being savers.

People's capitalism still exists today, but in a greatly changed form. The population of direct shareholders is down to around 25 million now. But indirect participation is growing.

Through their pension funds, that is, individuals are continuing to own a piece of America, but that old daring spirit of the late 1950s and 1960s doesn't seem to be very evident any more.



COMEBACK as center of controversy was staged by Richard Nixon with his statement to the Senate intelligence committee on wiretapping activities during his administration. The issue is whether the former President, Secretary of State Henry Kissinger or the late FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover ordered taps on a number of newsmen and government officials.



What is now West Virginia was once part of the colony of Virginia during the Revolution. Though many men from this area fought in the war, there were no military campaigns in those western counties. Several Continental Army officers who made their homes in the area included Generals Adam Stephen, Horatio Gates, and Charles Lee, The World Almanac notes.

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'Cuckoo's Nest' flies off with top Academy honors

LOS ANGELES (AP) — "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest," a movie whose message of hope and perseverance has special meaning to the people who fought for 15 years to get it made, became the first film since 1934 to sweep the four most prestigious Academy Awards.

"Cuckoo's Nest" was named best picture of the year.

Jack Nicholson, as the leader of a rebellious group of mental hospital inmates, and Louise Fletcher, as the strong-willed nurse who keeps them in line,' won the top acting Oscars for 1975. Milos Forman was named best director. In addition, Lawrence Hauben and Bo Goldman took best screen adaptation honors at the 48th annual presentations Monday night.

"To anybody who's got a dream and there's a possibility that it's not going to be a reality, just hang on, it'll be all right," said "Cuckoo's Nest" coproducer Michael Douglas, accepting the Oscar for best picture. That was the message of the film and of making the film.

Comedian George Burns, 80, became the oldest actor ever to win an Oscar. His supporting performance in "The Sunshine Boys" was his first motion picture part in 37 years. Lee Grant, whose NBC television series "Fay" was canceled three weeks after it debuted last fall, was named best supporting actress for her role as an adulteress in "Shampoo."

"It Happened One Night," with Clark Gable and Claudette Colbert, was the only other film to walk off with the top Academy Awards, in 1934.

Douglas' father, actor Kirk Douglas, tried to turn Ken Kesey's novel of "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" into a movie 15 years ago, but he was never able to get the project off the ground. Michael got interested in it five years ago and with coproducer Saul Zaentz fought to get financial backing amid a widely held feeling that the project couldn't be a success because it was depressing and dealt with crazy people.

Their dream paid off and so, in other ways, did those of Miss Fletcher, Nicholson and Forman.

Miss Fletcher, who had given up acting for 11 years to raise her children, won the role as Nurse Ratched only after five big name actresses had turned it down. Accepting the Oscar, she provided the most touching moment of the evening as she faced a national television audience and said, her voice breaking with emotion:

"For my mother and my father, I want to say thank you for teaching me to have a dream. You are seeing my dream come true."

She delivered the message in sign language at the same time. Her parents, both deaf mutes, were watching from their home in Birmingham, Ala., she told reporters later.

For Nicholson it was the first Oscar win in five tries. He previously had been nominated for "Easy Rider," "Five Easy Pieces," "The Last Detail" and "Chinatown."

"Well," he said with a grin, "I guess this proves there are as many nuts in the Academy as anywhere else."

Forman, a native of Czech-'oslovakia, also had special reason to savor his directing Oscar. With him at the ceremonies at the Los Angeles Music Center were his twin 11-year-old sons. He was reunited with them Sunday night after five years. They flew in from Prague, where they live with their mother, from whom Forman is separated.

"The reunion was a great thrill," Forman told reporters backstage. "But I asked them if they wanted to see my film and they said, 'Well, we would rather see 'Jaws.'"

"Jaws," the biggest grossing picture of all time, won three Oscars — for sound, musical score and film editing. The only other big winner was "Barry Lyndon," which won for art direction, costume design, scoring adaptation and cinematography.

Best original screenplay went to Frank Pierson for "Dog Day Afternoon." "I'm Easy," written and performed by actor Keith Carradine in "Nashville," was named best song.

"The Man Who Skied Down Everest" won as best documentary feature and "Dersu Uzala," a Russian production directed by the great Japanese filmmaker Akira Kurosawa, was named best foreign language film.

Mary Pickford, the first superstar of films and a founder of the Academy, was presented a special Oscar. The 82-year-old actress did not appear on stage but was seen in a prerecorded interview, in which she remarked, "You've made me very, very happy."

Burns, ever the comic, was in complete control as he made his acceptance speech for the Oscar, capping a distinguished career. "Making 'Sunshine Boys' was so exciting that I'm going to make a picture every 37 years," he cracked.

Backstage he was more reflective when asked what he thought about inheriting the role after the death of his closest friend, Jack Benny.

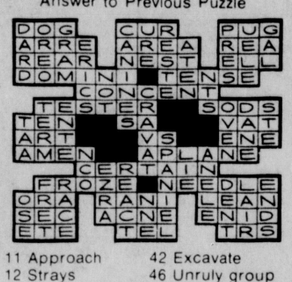
"It was a pretty tough part for me to take," he acknowledged. "But look, life goes on. You can't quit show business — not at my age. I'm starting a whole new career."

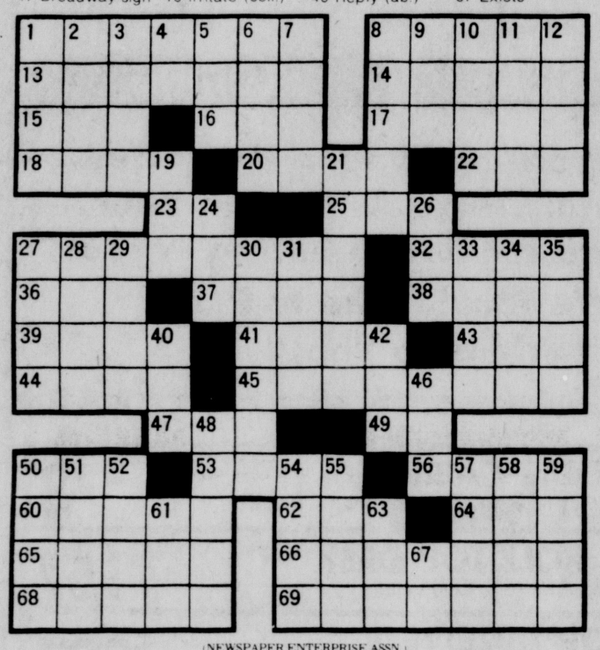
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Complete listing of Academy Award winners

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Here are the winners at the 48th annual Academy Awards Monday night:

Picture — "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest."

Actor — Jack Nicholson in "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest."

Actress — Louise Fletcher in "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest."

Supporting Actor — George Burns in "The Sunshine Boys."

Supporting Actress — Lee Grant in "Shampoo."

Director — Milos Forman for "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest."

Foreign Language Film — "Dersu Uzala" (U.S.S.R.).

Live Action Short — "Angel and Big Joe."

Animated Short — "Great."

Sound Achievement — "Jaws."

Feature Documentary — "The Man Who Skied Down Everest."

Short Subject Documentary — "The End of the Game."

Art Direction — "Barry Lyndon."

Costume Design — "Barry Lyndon."

Original Score — "Jaws," John Williams.

Song Score and Adaptation — "Barry Lyndon," Leonard Rosenman.

Cinematography — "Barry Lyndon," John Alcott.

Film Editing — "Jaws," Verna Fields.

Original Song — "I'm Easy," by Keith Carradine from "Nashville."

Original Screenplay — "Dog Day Afternoon," Frank Pierson.

Screenplay — "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest."

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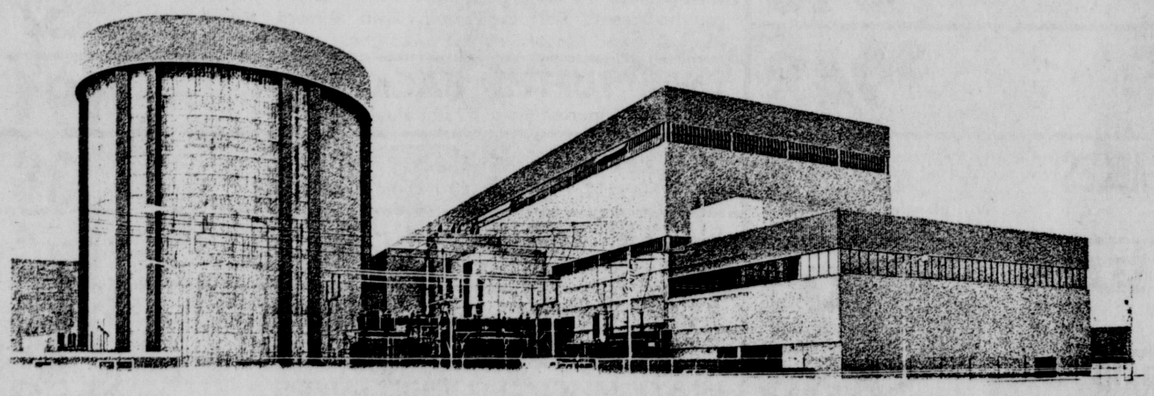
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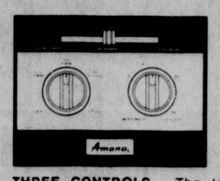
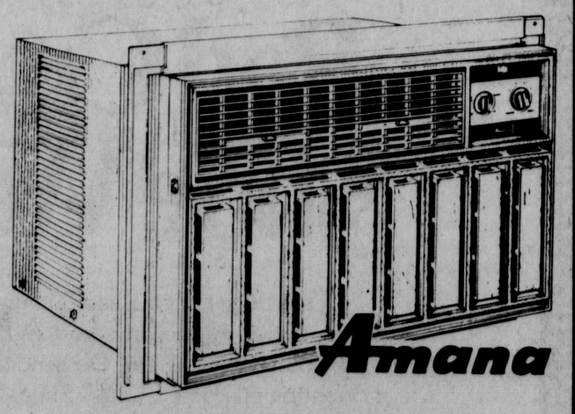
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Braves have new image

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — When a major league baseball team struggles through its worst season in 33 years, changes are in order.

That's what happened to the Atlanta Braves in 1975, triggering drastic offseason activity that finds the club entering the 1976 campaign with a new owner, a new manager, new uniforms and, perhaps more important, plenty of new players.

It should generate new hope for Atlanta fans, who seldom appeared at the stadium a year ago when the club turned in a dismal 67-94 record, finishing a whopping 40½ games behind world champion Cincinnati in the National League West. The Braves drew only 534,672 fans at home, almost a quarter of a million fewer than the previous lowest figure since the club moved to Atlanta in 1966.

The new look started during the last World Series when fiery Dave Bristol was signed as the new field boss. Then, wealthy sportsman Ted Turner purchased the team for $10 million.

And, on paper at least, the Braves appear to have made some exceptional trades, especially the one that dealt Ed Goodson and dissatisfied Dusty Baker to the Los Angeles Dodgers for outfielders Jim Wynn and Tom Paciorek and infielders Lee Lacy and Jerry Royster.

In other moves, potential starting pitcher Roger Moret was acquired from the Boston Red Sox for relief ace Tom House; first baseman-outfielder Mike Lum went to Cincinnati for shortstop Darrel Chaney and outfielder Ken Henderson and pitcher Dick Ruthven came from the Chicago White Sox for outfielder Ralph Garr and infielder Larvell Blanks.

It currently appears that Bristol will go with a four-man pitching rotation of Carl Morton, knuckleballer Phil Niekro, Moret and Ruthven. However, Moret was AWOL when camp opened and Ruthven is recovering from arm surgery.

The club also has Buzz Capra, who had an outstanding season two years ago but struggled through a 4-7 campaign last year. The bullpen is a question mark.

Club officials were pleased with catcher Earl Williams, who reported to camp weighing only 215 pounds, about 25 less than he normally weighs at reporting time.

Bristol appears to be set on an outfield of Wynn, speedster Roland Office and Henderson, with Dave May, Paciorek and Clarence Gaston offering backup support. Paciorek also has been working out at first base, where veteran Darrell Evans is expected to perform.

Evans, coming off a poor season in which he hit only .243 and 22 home runs, is making the switch from third, leaving that spot to Lacy.

Chaney and Royster are involved in a fight at short and Royster is also working at second, where Marty Perez returns as a starter after hitting .275 in 1975, his best mark in seven major league seasons.

This year promises a vastly improved club, one not yet ready to challenge Cincinnati for division superiority, but one that appears capable of finishing as high as second or third.

Time change

The Dixon triangular track meet at the Westwood Complex in Sterling has been moved from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m., today. The Dukes will compete against Newman and Polo.

Sport Notes

Slo-pitch information

The Dixon Park District Men's 12" slo-pitch softball leagues are being organized now for the 1976 season. Entry fee is $162 per team for the Sunday, Monday and Wednesday leagues.

Al Morrison

Only two days remain to sign up for the Dixon Al Morrison Memorial boys baseball program at the Cable TV office. The deadline for sign-up is April 1. The Cable TV office has moved to N. Galena Ave., next to Kentucky Fried Chicken.

Nehls competes

LIVINGSTON, N.J.— Liz Nehls of Dixon took third in both tumbling and the double mini-tramp in her age group plus fourths in tumbling and the double mini-tramp in the open division, here, over the weekend in the AAU Junior Nationals.

White Sox have new look and question marks

SARASOTA, Fla. (AP) — The Chicago White Sox are going to offer a new look this year from their owner to their manager right down to their hot pants.

Aside from the pitching staff, the only familiar faces at the same positions as last year will be catcher Brian Downing and shortstop Bucky Dent.

Everything else will be shuffled because of a flurry of trades made by owner Bill Veeck and the managerial shift from Chuck Tanner to Paul Richards.

Jorge Orta, the .300-plus hitter, will be at third base instead of second, filling in for the traded Bill Melton. Jack Brohamer, acquired from Cleveland, will be at second.

Ralph Garr, a speedster acquired from the Atlanta Braves who could become the team's leading hitter, will be in left field. The other two outfield jobs are up for grabs from a list of candidates including Nyls Nyman, Morris Nettles, Bob Coluccio, Chet Lemon, Buddy Bradford and Pat Kelly.

Jim Spencer and Lamar Johnson will split duties at first base with Spencer facing right-handed pitching and Johnson against left-handers. Carlos May will be the designated hitter.

Nyman, Nettles and Coluccio are speedsters battling for the center field job which becomes significant because Veeck has torn down the canvas fences and gone back to the original walls. That adds 40 feet of depth and makes inside-the-park home runs more of a reality than an almost impossible shot into the bleachers.

Veeck also has torn out the artificial infield in favor of natural grass which means quicker gloves and stronger arms are needed on defense.

Lemon, who was expected to take over for Melton at third base, hasn't impressed Richards with his glove. But the new manager likes his bat and because he swings from the right side of the plate, a commodity lacking in the Sox scheme, Lemon is being given a shot in right field.

The mainstays of the pitching staff include Wilbur Wood, Rich Gossage, Bart Johnson, Claude Osteen, Terry Forster, Clay Carroll and Dave Hamilton.

Gossage is being converted from a reliever to become a starter. The same thing could happen to Forster if he has recovered completely from tendonitis. Carroll, acquired from Cincinnati, and Hamilton will anchor the bullpen.

All of them will wear five sets of uniforms including "Hollywood" shorts, one of Veeck's many innovative ideas.

"If our young pitchers come through and Orta can play third base, we have a chance to be contenders," said Richards. "I've always felt that a team can lose quite a few games through its own mistakes."

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Jahn and Brandau highlight All-Area team

By MIKE CUNNIFF
Telegraph Sports Editor

The high school basketball season is finished but some of the area players had outstanding performances during the 1975-76 campaign. Once again, I have selected a number of players for my All-Area basketball squad.

This season, a total of 14 squad members comprise the All-Area team. Selection was based on nomination by the boy's coach plus the voting of opposing coaches. Jeff Jahn and Jim Brandau highlight the 1975-76 squad.

It is the third consecutive season for both Jahn and Brandau on a Dixon Evening Telegraph All-Area team. Following are statistics, comments and voting results for the All-Area squad by school.

AMBOY— Joe Bothe was the inside and Greg Esgar the outside threat for the Clippers in the past campaign. Bothe, a 1974-75 selection, upped his 11.8 scoring average last year to 17.1 in '75-76 with a 57 per cent accuracy figure from the floor plus a 69 per cent success ratio from the charity stripe.

The junior center had high games of 34 points and 24 rebounds and "Was the key to our ball club," according to Clippers head varsity coach Gary Croegaert. Other area coaches comments include: "Good scorer and rebounder, and excellent rebounder and scorer."

Esgar played most of the time in Bothe's shadow and usually did not receive the publicity he should have from media personnel who did not see Amboy regularly. He averaged 13.4 points per game with 41 per cent from the field and 69 from the line.

Esgar chipped in five assists per outing in leading the team in that catagory. "Good penetrator and fine all-around player," summed up Croegaert. Esgar had a season high of 24 points and 10 assists. Another area coach termed Esgar "the key to the Amboy team because when he is hitting, it takes the pressure off Bothe and opens up the Clippers' inside game."

ASHTON — Mike Caldwell is another repeater from the 1974-75 All-Area team after a season in which the senior guard had 23 games in double figures, an 18.1 points per game average, a 45 per cent field shooting record plus a 74 per cent success ratio while at the foul line.

Caldwell also hauled down four rebounds a game. "Excellent outside jumper and smart player," mentioned a rival coach while another stated, "an excellent all-around player." Caldwell tied Bruce Hongsermeier with six votes apiece from the area coaches for second place on the voting list.

FORRESTON — The most points on the Cardinals defensive scale, a 51 per cent field goal accuracy figure and 16 games in double figures vaulted 6'6½" senior Jack Dollmeyer onto the All-Area squad.

Dollmeyer had 240 defensive points, hit 143 baskets in 283 attempts and finished the season with 322 points for a 15.0 a game average. He also pulled off 87 offensive and 168 defensive rebounds.

He was a co-captain of the team and had a high game of 29 points versus Oregon. "Consistent," mentioned an area coach, while another said, "he really hurt us because of his size as we could not stop him inside. He needs to get more aggressive but has good moves." A third coach stated, "Good shooter and rebounder."

FRANKLIN CENTER — The Eagles produced another 20-win season over the winter keyed by the shooting of Jeff Jahn and the rebounding of Jeff "Boomer" Heckman. Jahn ended with 246 buckets in 504 shots for 48.8 per cent and 147 free throws in 184 chances for 79.9 per cent.

The 5'5" cat-quick guard also dished out 67 assists and latched onto 36 offensive and 49 defensive boards plus 68 steals. He finished with 639 points for the season and 1,863 for his four-year varsity career.

One area coach succinctly stated, "No comment needed" when he mentioned Jahn as one of his candidates for the All-Area squad. A second mentor commented, "An amazing small player with great quickness and shooting ability." "Great quickness, good attitude but 'begs on defense' which makes him a lot of fun to watch," added a third coach.

Heckman was another player in the shadows. The 5'9" senior center routinely matched up against players five to seven inches taller and yet calmly and cooly swept the boards time and again. He cornered 69 offensive rebounds plus 190 defensive boards for a total of 259 in addition to scoring 297 points.

He was a 43 per cent shooter (111 of 261) from the floor and 61 per cent (75 of 122) from the charity stripe. Heckman added 31 steals and 56 assists. "Outstanding rebounder for size," commented a rival coach.

MT. MORRIS — Another team with two outstanding players in Bruce Hongsermeier and Ron Alden. Hongsermeier had six votes and Alden five. Hongsermeier was second in the Mid-Northern scoring derby ad finished the season with an 18.4 average. Alden chipped in with 13.5 points per contest.

Comments from the area coaches on Hongsermeier included: "Exceptional shooter but needs to be more aggressive," "good shooter and ball handler," "super outside shooter," and "carried Mt. Morris in the second half of the season especially the regional." Alden was mentioned as "strong rebounder and physical," "good team player who scores and rebounds" and "very mobile."

Both Hongsermeier and Alden are repeaters from the 1974-75 squad.

NEWMAN — Brian Boesen was on the '74-'75 team and the senior is also on this year's squad. Boesen ended with 295 points on a 45 per cent accuracy figure. "Good talent but his mental attitude hurt him," assessed one coach.

OHIO — "He was the Ohio basketball team," summed up one rival mentor when nominating Jim Brandau to the All-Area team. "A tremendous high school career," adds another coach while a third stated, "He could do just about anything his team needed him to do."

Brandau tallied 484 points for the Bulldogs in '75-76 based on 200 baskets (421 attempts) and 84 of 129 free throw shots. He had 66 offensive boards plus 129 on defense, 47 assists, 18 recoveries and 68 steals. In four years, Brandau racked up 1,421 career points for the Bulldogs.

OREGON — One of the few bright spots for the Hawks during the hardcourt season was the play of junior Dave Bocker. He had 12.5 points and 7.1 rebounds a game plus 3.2 assists. Bocker had 18 contests in double figures including 25 points versus Forreston.

Duane Piller, Oregon head varsity coach, stated, "Dave is an excellent all-around player. A good shooter and rebounder and is a very coachable player." "Very smooth on offense with a variety of shots," said one area coach. "He must develop a more aggressive attitude on defense, though." "Good pure shooter and great release," mentioned another coach.

PAW PAW — The Bulldogs were another team that had more downs than ups but Marc Hanson was a definite plus for Paw Paw. Hanson was the leading scorer in the Little 10 with 15.4 points per contest. The 5'10" senior guard also had six rebounds a game and three assists per outing.

He was in double figures 17 times and had a season best of 33 markers against Hinckley-Big Rock. "Good scorer and defense, on a better team would have had more recognition," stated a rival coach. "A good driver and ball handler," chipped in a second mentor.

POLO — Bill Jenkins kept a close eye on one of his top players — his son, Tim, a 6'0" senior guard. Tim led the Marcos in scoring with a 15.5 clip including a 16.6 average in the Mid-Northern for the fourth best mark in the conference.

Tim averaged six assists and four rebounds a game and set a Polo school record with 84 steals and regained possessions (the previous mark was 54). He won the free throw trophy with a success ratio of 68 (73 of 107 attempts) and was in double figures in 21 of 23 games. His high game was 23 points versus Byron on eight of 15 from the field and seven of 10 from the line.

"Super defense and better than average scorer," summed up one coach while a second mentioned "just seems to get the job done night after night."

WALNUT — Head varsity coach Dave McFadden was in double figures for the wins column again in 1975-76. Mike Mungor was one of the main reasons. Mungor had 10 or more points in 23 of 26 contests for the Blue Raiders and finished with an 18.3 average. He also paced Walnut with 245 rebounds.

"One of the top all-around players in the area," commented one coach. Another added, "Quickness and good board strength helped overcome injury problem for Walnut."

A total of 20 players were nominated by the area coaches although one mentor failed to send in a response. Jahn's nine votes from rival coaches led the nominations. Caldwell and Hongsermeier had six each while Bothe and Brandau checked in with five apiece.

White Sox get zero hits versus Tigers

By HERSCHEL NISSENSON
AP Sports Writer

For the State of Michigan, there was some good news out of Florida to go with the bad news from Philadelphia Monday night, which is the route you might expect Florida-Philadelphia news to go.

While the University of Michigan Wolverines were winding down the basketball season by bowing to Indiana in the national championship game, the Detroit Tigers prepared for the upcoming baseball season by sweeping a pair of seven-inning games from the Chicago White Sox, 8-3 and 1-0.

And the nightcap produced a near-perfect no-hitter by Ray Bare and Billy Laxton while most of the sports writers in the press box at Lakeland, Fla., were watching the basketball on television.

Bare hurled five innings and only one Chicagoan reached base when shortstop Tom Veryzer committed a throwing error on Alan Bannister's third-inning grounder. Bannister was rubbed out attempting to steal and Billy Laxton finished up with two perfect rounds.

Laxton, who came with Rusty Staub from the New York Mets in the Mickey Lolich deal, became the winner when Staub led off the bottom of the seventh with a home run off Cecil Upshaw. In the opener, Ben Oglivie and rookie Bob Molinaro each drove in three runs.

The good news-bad news syndrome also hit the Boston Red Sox camp. Cecil Cooper hit a two-run homer and Bill Lee pitched five scoreless innings in a 5-1 decision over the Houston Astros. But Jim Rice spiked himself in the left ankle trying to make a diving catch.

Rice, who missed the 1975 playoffs and World Series with a broken wrist, suffered a deep puncture and needed three stitches. Trainer Charlie Moss said the slugging outfielder would be out for two or three days barring complications.

Texas' Jeff Burroughs raised his spring average to .500 with three singles and a three-run homer in the Rangers' 12-7 triumph over the Kansas City Royals.

Don Sutton, rumored bound for the Mets in a swap for Tom Seaver, allowed one run and six hits in seven innings as the Los Angeles Dodgers bowed to the Montreal Expos 3-2 on Bombo Rivera's ninth-inning pinch double.

Ex-Dodger Jimmy Wynn hit his first spring homer, a three-run shot that helped the Atlanta Braves defeat the winless Mets 8-4.

The Oakland A's posted their first spring triumph, downing the Chicago Cubs 8-6 as Bill North collected a single, double, triple and four RBI. Chris Arnold, trying to win his way back onto the San Francisco roster, belted a grand slam homer to help the Giants beat the Milwaukee Brewers 9-3.

The New York Yankees turned back the Philadelphia Phillies 5-3 on 14th-inning RBI singles by Willie Randolph and Fred Stanley. Another band of Phillies bowed to the Pittsburgh Pirates 12-1 as Bill Robinson slugged a three-run homer.



Letter winners

Returning varsity "D" winners for the 1976 Dixon High School girls interscholastic track season are, front row from left, Rachel Nevius, Lynne Wakeley, Kay Schrock and Kelly McConnell. Back row, same order, Jean Potts, Sue Long, Mary Gridley, Kathy Cook and Jane Coomes. (Telegraph Photo)

Cap 32-0 season Monday night

Hoosiers are champions

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — The Indiana Hoosiers were handed the No. 1 ranking at the start of the season, but that doesn't mean anything unless you can earn it on the court.

They did — 32 times.

The "perfect" Hoosiers capped a glorious 32-0 season Monday night with a businesslike 86-68 victory over Michigan in the NCAA finals, ending a long quest for college basketball's Holy Grail.

"If we don't deserve to be national champions, then I don't know who does," said Indiana's superlative guard, Quinn Buckner. "We won all our games. What else can you do?"

The Hoosiers survived several pitfalls on the road to the championship — including a mild mid-season slump that relegated Buckner to the bench. During this time, they struggled to beat Michigan twice by close scores.

Despite what Buckner called "peaks and valleys," Indiana made it through the Big Ten season undefeated, a performance that Michigan Coach Johnny Orr called "unbelievable."

What happened thereafter was even more impressive. The Hoosiers, playing in one of the toughest regional tourneys in NCAA history, defeated St. John's, Alabama and Marquette to win the Mideast and advance to the gold-plated Final Four in Philadelphia.

"It was very physical all through the Big Ten and just as physical in the regionals," pointed out Indiana strongman Kent Benson. "It was as physical as I can remember."

UCLA's Bruins, the defending champions, presented no problem to peaking Indiana in Saturday's semifinals at the Spectrum. The Hoosiers, who had beaten UCLA by a shocking 20 points on opening day, handled them with almost as much ease the second time.

For a change, Benson and Player of the Year Scott May took a backseat to two lesser lights — Tom Abernethy and Bobby Wilkerson. Abernethy scored 14 points and shut down UCLA's Richard Washington and Wilkerson grabbed a career-high 19 rebounds. And Indiana won, 65-51.

While the Big Ten champions were disposing of tall and talented UCLA, Michigan was belaboring Rutgers. Indiana's Big Ten colleagues handed the Scarlet Knights their first defeat of the season after 31 victories, 86-70, and set up a unique NCAA finale. It was the first time in NCAA playoff history that two teams from the same conference met in the championship game.

"It'll probably be the last time in our liftime that we ever see something like this again," said Orr. "Take a good look at it."

Indiana's brightness didn't shine until after the Hoosiers were hit by adversity. Wilkerson, one of the few starting guards in the country at 6-foot-7, suffered a concussion in the early going and had to be carried from the court on a stretcher.

"When Bobby got hurt we knew we had to go at it tougher," said Buckner. "Bobby's a big part of our team. We did go at it."

Actually, the Hoosiers didn't really "go at it" until after the start of the second half. The Wolverines kept ahead of their Big Ten colleagues with a brilliant fast break and by intermission, led 35-29.

Benson, a blond giant with a pacifist temperament off the court and a killer instinct on, blamed his first-half timidity for the Hoosiers' uncharacteristic performance before intermission.

Benson pulled himself together in the second half — and in the process, pulled Michigan apart. The All-American center took charge of things, scoring 15 of his 25 points and collecting six of his nine rebounds.

With the help of their tower of strength, the Hoosiers went from a 51-51 tie with 10:15 left to a 73-59 lead at the 3:51 mark. Indiana only had to run out the clock after that overpowering 22-8 burst.

May also had a high-powered second half for Indiana, scoring 18 of his game-high 26 points and pulling down all of his eight rebounds.

Benson is Most Valuable

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Kent Benson, the Most Valuable player of the 1976 National Collegiate Athletic Association basketball Championship, might best be described as a Dave Cowens in a college uniform.

The 6-foot-11 Benson bulls to the basket and seems to have a nose for the ball, just like Cowens, the star center of the Boston Celtics of the National Basketball Association.

Benson, a 245-pounder with the moves of a guard, scored 25 points, grabbed nine rebounds and handed out two assists as he muscled the unbeaten Indiana Hoosiers to the national collegiate basketball championship.

Indiana crushed Michigan 86-68 Monday night to complete a march through one of the toughest brackets in NCAA tournament history. The Hoosiers beat four of the Top Ten ranked teams en route to their third title in eight postseason ventures.

Both winning Coach Bobby Knight and loser Johnny Orr put the finger on Benson as the major difference between the two Big Ten rivals.

Knight observed that Benson deserved the MVP accolade.

"He played an outstanding game," said the Indiana coach. "He did an outstanding job on the boards. He got the ball for us."

Benson, a junior from New Castle, Ind., didn't allow a little thing like a cast on his left wrist to deter him. He's been playing with torn ligaments, and has plans for an operation during the off season.

And to hear Knight tell it, Benson has yet to reach his peak.

"Benson has developed well at Indiana," observed Knight, who has encouraged the big guy to be aggressive.

"He'll develop even more next year," Knight said. "He's done an outstanding job and he'll do even better," the coach advised.

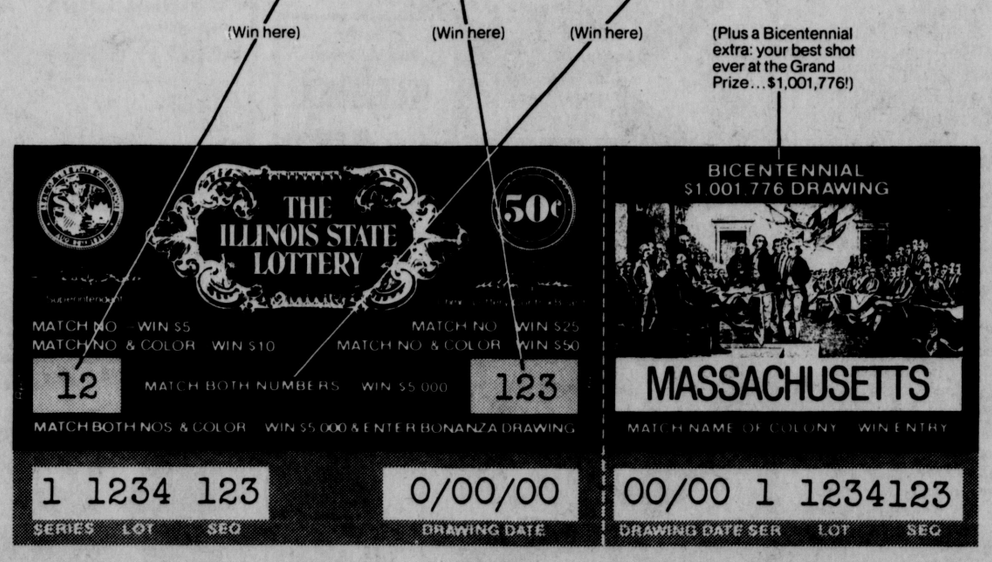
It's hard to envision Benson any better than he was against Michigan Monday night. He was devastating. Phil Hubbard, the talented Wolverine center, fouled out trying to stop the Indiana crasher.

Benson scored 10 points in the first half as Indiana left, trailing 35-29.

"It was just a matter of gathering myself (together)," Benson said. "I was a little tight in the first half. I knew I had to take the ball stronger to the hoop."

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Basketball standings

By The Associated Press

NBA

Eastern Conference	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlantic Division				
x-Boston	50	23	.685	—
Buffalo	41	34	.547	10
Philphia	41	34	.547	10
New York	34	41	.453	17
Central Division				
Washton	46	30	.605	—
Cleveland	43	30	.589	1½
Houston	38	37	.507	7½
N Orleans	35	40	.467	10½
Atlanta	28	46	.378	17
Western Conference				
Midwest Division				
Milwaukee	33	42	.440	—
Detroit	31	43	.419	1½
Kansas City	29	46	.387	4
Chicago	22	52	.297	10½
Pacific Division				
x-Golden St	54	21	.720	—
Phoenix	38	36	.514	15½
Seattle	38	36	.514	15½
Los Angeles	38	39	.494	17
Portland	33	42	.440	21

x-clinched division title

Monday's Games

No games scheduled

Tuesday's Games

Boston at Buffalo
Phoenix at New York
Houston at Cleveland
Golden State at Chicago
Atlanta at Milwaukee
Kansas City at Portland

Wednesday's Games

Phoenix at Boston
Buffalo at Philadelphia
Golden State at Washington
Chicago at Detroit
Cleveland at New Orleans
Los Angeles at Seattle

ABA

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Denver	57	22	.722	—
New York	51	28	.646	6
San Antonio	46	33	.582	11
Kentucky	43	36	.544	14
Indiana	38	41	.481	19
St. Louis	34	45	.430	23
Virginia	13	64	.169	43

Monday's Result

San Antonio 116, New York 101

Tuesday's Game

Denver at St. Louis

Wednesday's Game

Virginia at Kentucky
New York at Indiana
Denver at San Antonio

Panama means "abundance of fish" in the language of the Indians who were there before Columbus. But, currently, Panama seems to mean an abundance of world-record marine fish. More than 35 records, covering 13 different species and verified by international anglers' organizations, have been made in Panamanian waters. —Sports Afield

Veterans available

NEW YORK (AP) — In the age-old tradition of every team that ever made a draft pick, the Tampa Bay Buccaneers and Seattle Seahawks selected "the best players available" as the National Football League stocked its 27th and 28th teams today.

Those availables may have included some familiar names made expendable by age, salary or a combination of the two.

League officials were on hand to supply pertinent information on factors such as salaries and bonus arrangements in the contracts of possible draft choices as the two teams began making their selections.

There were reports that such veterans as linebackers Lee Roy Jordan and Dave Edwards of Dallas, running back Essex Johnson of Cincinnati, offensive linemen Joe Scibelli and Charlie Cowan of Los Angeles, quarterback Len Dawson and former All-Pro receiver Otis Taylor of Kansas City, all longtime NFL performers, would be on the lists of players eligible for selection by the new teams.

But the draft carried a standard warning of caveat emptor — "let the buyer beware."

If Tampa Bay or Seattle chose a player coming off the injured reserve list who cannot perform or a veteran who chooses to retire instead of moving to a new team, they're stuck.

That's why officials of the two clubs sifted carefully through the draft lists supplied to them by the league at noon EST Monday. They had 21 hours to study the names before Seattle made the opening expansion selection at 9 a.m. EST today.

The two new teams were to choose 39 players each, with each of the 26 established NFL teams losing three men in the draft. Each time a team lost a player, it was permitted to add another player to its protected list. Going into the draft, the 26 established teams were permitted to protect 32 players — 30 from their active rosters and two from the reserve lists.

There was a 30-minute time limit in effect for each of the first 13 selections by each team and a 15-minute limit for the choices after that. If the two teams used the maximum time allowed, the draft would last 26 hours, winding up at 11 a.m. EST Wednesday.

The NFL planned no expansion roster announcement until Wednesday when the makeup of both teams will be released at a joint press conference.

CARNIVAL by Dick Turner

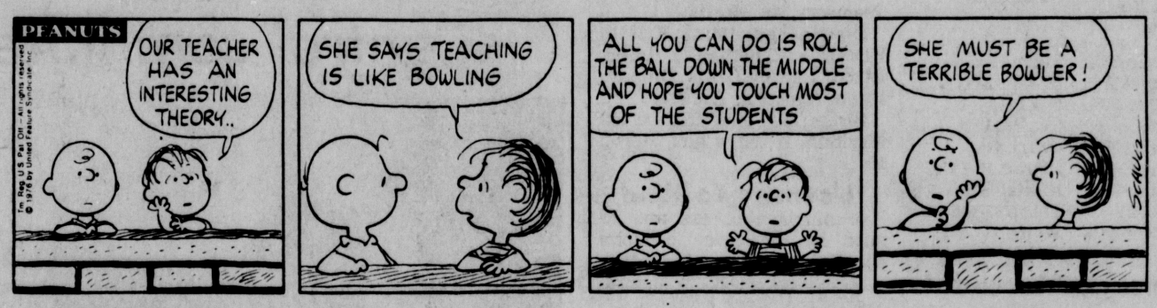


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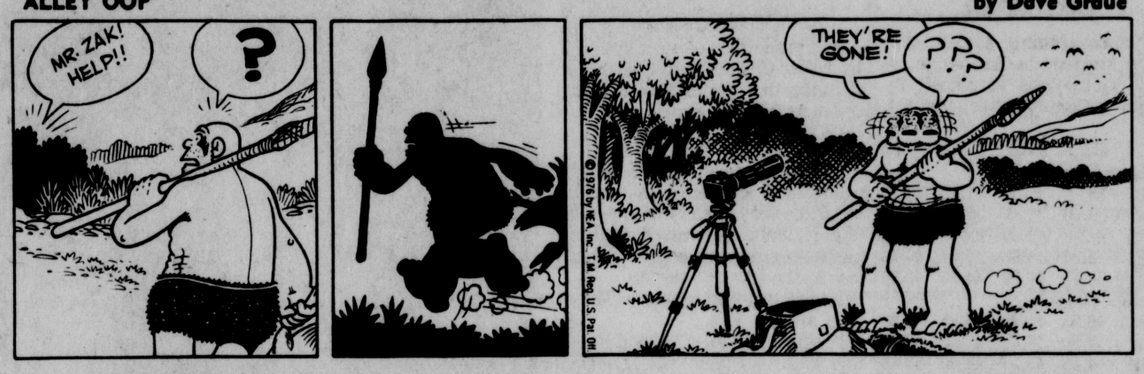
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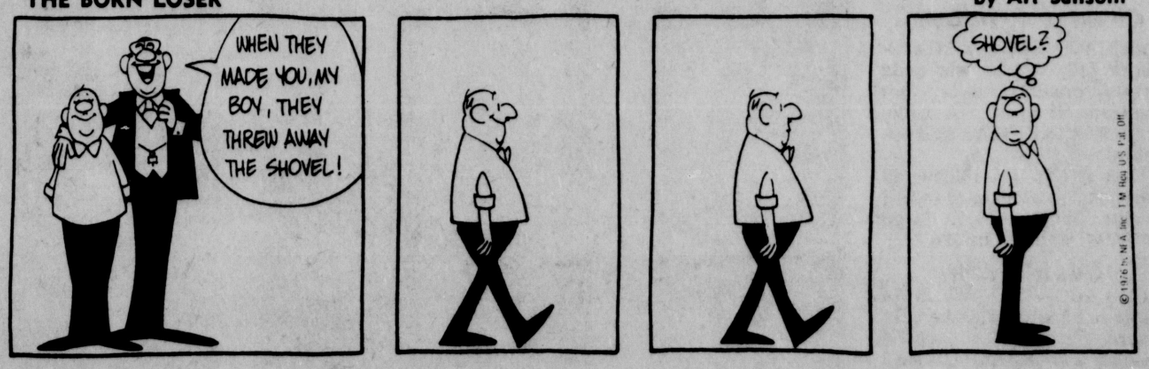
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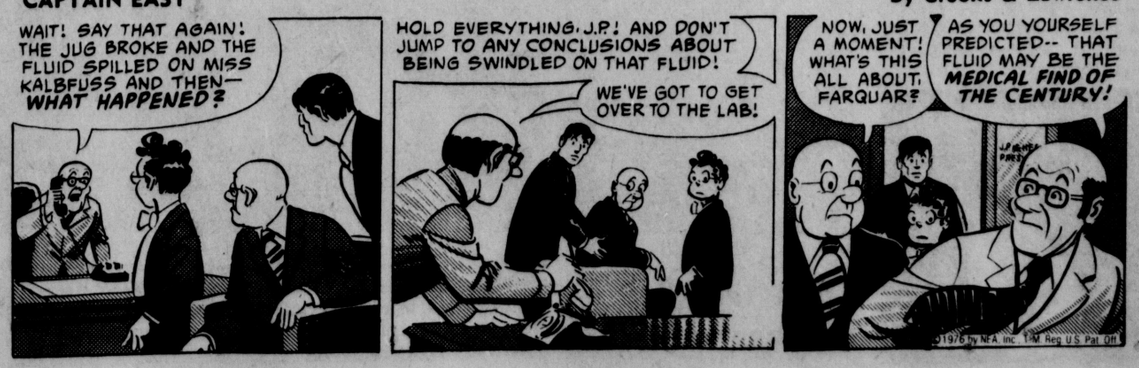
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D-J Noon Averages

NEW YORK (AP)—Dow Jones noon stock averages:

30 Indus.	991.50	off 5.50
20 Trans.	207.06	off 1.81
15 Util.	086.94	off 0.52
65 Stocks	301.91	off 2.01

Stocks

The following stock quotations, as of 1 p.m., are furnished by H. W. Beeler and O. M. Nasather of Loewi and Co., Sterling. Interested readers may call Loewi and Co. for desired quotations which are not listed.

AlldCh 40⅛	IntHarv 26
Alcoa 48⅛	IntNick 32½
A Brnds 42	IntPap 69¾
AmCan 35⅛	ITT 28¼
AmT&T 56⅜	JCPen 58⅛
Anacond 25⅞	John-M 31⅝
BethStl 42⅛	NSB 16⅞
Chrysl 18⅝	Pamida 7⅜
Donld 26¼-27	ProctG 89¾
DuPont 145	Sears 76½
Eastm 114⅝	SO Ind 46½
Exxon 91¾	Texaco 26¾
GenEl 52½	UnCarb 71⅛
GenFds 29⅞	UnitAir 24
GenMtr 68⅞	US Stl 79
Goodyr 21⅞	Wstghs 15⅞
HowJ 14¾	Woolw 25⅞
IBM 259¼	
BoseCa 28½	MichG 2¾
Borg-W 27⅞	NI-Gas 23⅞
CenTel 20¾	NW Stl 34¼
ClarkOil 10⅝	OccPet 15⅜
ComEd 29½	Ozark 4¼
Frantz 14¾	HPratt 16-16¾
Hardee 7⅞	Ramad 5⅜
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Chicago Mercantile Exchange

Future trading on the Chicago Mercantile Exchange today. Quotations furnished by Heinold Commodities, Inc.

	High	Low	Close	Prev. Close
Live Beef Cattle				
Apr	39.70	38.50	39.57	38.35
Apr-n	39.90	38.87	39.85	38.60
Jun	44.10	43.30	43.87	43.02
Aug	44.75	43.95	44.65	43.75
Oct	44.75	44.05	44.50	43.95
Live Hogs				
Apr	46.25	45.20	45.95	45.25
Jun	47.60	46.00	47.50	46.12
Aug	44.15	43.25	44.00	43.12
Oct	41.20	40.50	41.10	40.25
Pork Bellies				
May	70.10	67.55	70.10	68.10
Jul	70.05	67.50	70.05	68.05
Aug	66.95	64.40	66.95	64.95
Feb	59.00	56.90	58.70	57.40
Soybean Oil				
May	16.40	16.10	16.39	16.07
Jul	16.60	16.30	16.58	16.29
Oct	16.77	16.45	16.75	16.50

Grain Range

Wheat				
May	353¼	348	352½	346¾
Jul	360½	354	359½	353
Sep	367½	360	365½	358¾
Dec	376½	370	376	369
Corn				
May	267	265½	267	265¼
Jul	271	269	271	269¼
Sep	268½	266¼	268½	266¼
Dec	263	261	262¾	260½
Mar	268¾	266¾	268¾	266¾
Soybeans				
May	474	469½	472¾	468¼
Jul	483	477	480½	476¾
Nov	496½	492½	495½	491½
Jan	503½	501	502½	498¾
May	518	513½	518	513½

Joliet Livestock

JOLIET (AP) — (USDA — Hogs 900; trading slow Tuesday, butchers 50 lower; 1-2 200-230 lbs 47.00; 1-3 200-240 lbs 46.50-46.75; sows steady; 1-3 350-550 lbs 41.00-41.50.

Caattle 60; insufficient receipts to establish a market trend.

Estimated for Wednesday: 1,000 hogs and 3,000 cattle.

Interior Hog Market

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) — (USDA) — Interior Illinois hog prices (state-federal) — Receipts 13,000; demand moderate Tuesday, butchers mostly 25 lower; 1-2 200-230 lbs 45.75, few 46.00, few sorted early 46.25; 1-3 200-240 lbs 45.25-45.75, few 45.00; 1-3 240-260 lbs 44.50-45.50; sows steady; 1-3 300-600 lbs 38.00-40.00, few 40.50.

Chicago Produce

CHICAGO (AP) — (USDA) — Butter fully steady; wholesale buying prices Tuesday unchanged; 93 score AA 90.50-91.00; 92 A 86.25-86.75; 90 B unquoted.

Eggs steady; sales delivered warehouse, cartons unchanged; A extra large 61-63; A large 59½-61½; A mediums 51½-53.

Cash Grain

CHICAGO (AP) — Wheat No 2 soft red 3.38¼n Tuesday; No 2 hard winter 3.38¼n. Corn No 2 yellow 2.59¾-66¾n. Oats No 2 heavy 1.50n. Soybeans No 1 yellow 4.57n.

No 2 yellow corn Monday was quoted at 2.66½n (hopper) 2.59½n (box).

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HOG MARKET

180-200 lbs	42.00-44.00
200-230 lbs	43.75-46.00
230-250 lbs	44.00-44.50
250-270 lbs	43.25-43.50
SOW MARKET	
350 & dn	39.00-40.00
350-500 lbs	38.50-39.00
CATTLE MARKET	
Ch Steers 1000-1250	33.50-36.00
Gd Steers 1000-1250	30.00-33.50
Holsteins	28.00-32.00
Ch Heifers 900-1050	32.00-35.00
Gd Heifers 900-1050	28.00-32.00

About Town

KSB Hospital

Admitted: Master Bradley Hamrick, Mrs. Hazel Harlow, Mrs. Marquerite Stenzel, Mrs. Esther Papadakis, Harvey Ware, Mrs. Pamela Aebly, Albert Walters, Mrs. Pamela Harmon, Dixon; Orville French, Polo; Master Jonathan Toomsen, Mt. Morris.

Discharged: Miss Kristin Kovalcik, Thomas Palmer, Dixon; Harvey Lewis, Oregon; Isaias Almanza, Rochelle.

Births: Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Meridith, Dixon, a girl, March 29.

Licenses To Wed

A marriage license was issued by the office of John Stouffer, county clerk, to Jack A. Guerriere and Mary M. Dravis, both of Rock Falls.

Divorces

A divorce decree was issued by Chief Circuit Judge James E. Bales to Verletta M. Carlson from Arthur Carlson.

Local Forecast

This afternoon cloudy, very windy and colder with scattered showers. Steady or slowly falling temperatures. Tonight partly cloudy and colder. The low in the low or mid 30s.

Wednesday partly sunny. The high around 50.

The probability of precipitation is 40 per cent this afternoon.

5-Day Forecast

Partly cloudy Thursday. Lows generally in 30s, highs in the 50s. Friday and Saturday mostly cloudy, chance of showers. Warmer Friday. Lows generally in 40s, highs 60s north and 70s south. Cooler Saturday. Lows mid 30s to mid 40s, highs 50s north and 60s south.

Weather

DIXON TEMPERATURES

High Monday, 57; overnight low, 51; 12:30, 43.

Car-train crash probed

ROCHELLE — An investigation is pending following a car-train accident early this morning.

Ronald F. Hansen, 48, of 300 S. Tenth St., told police he was southbound on Main St., and as he approached the north track of the Northwestern Railroad, an engine backed into his vehicle.

Police said that the engine, operated by Kent E. Enos, 29, West Chicago, was switching at the time of the accident. There was no flagman at the crossing.

Antenna thefts are investigated

Lee County Sheriff's deputies are investigating reports of stolen radio antennas in Ashton.

Granville Jones, Ashton, told deputies that that citizens band antennas were stolen off cars Sunday night. Each antenna was valued at $30.



J. Herbert Henning, center, was re-elected chairman of the Lee County Republican Central Committee on Monday. Other officers picked were Stanley Durin (not pictured), vice chairman; Charles Scriven, right, secretary; and W. C. Kessel, treasurer. John Stanley Smith was named executive treasurer. George Kanupp did not seek re-election as treasurer. (Telegraph Photo)

Central committees elect



James G. Burke, second from the left, won re-election as chairman of the Lee County Democratic Central Committee on Monday. Precinct committee persons elected Pat Blackburn, left, vice chairman; Theresa Wolf, secretary; and Joseph Grygiel, treasurer. Delegates, not pictured, named to attend the State Democratic Convention, are Dorrence Pierce, Paw Paw; Henry S. Dixon, Burke, Rex Bradshaw, Compton; Bill Burnham, Paw Paw, and Gerald Sheridan, Sublette. (Telegraph Photo)

Fishing gear is stolen

Dixon Police officers are investigating the theft of fishing gear, reported to the department Monday.

Ronald Altepeter, 520 Jackson, told officers that at least three fishing rods and reels plus two dip nets were missing from a travel all parked at his residence Sunday night. The stolen equipment was valued at $70.

Planners to hear Hutchins

Byron Hutchins will discuss, "People, Land and Planning," at the Monday meeting of the Lee County Planning Commission to be held in the Courthouse beginning at 8 p.m.

Hutchins is senior area adviser, University of Illinois, College of Agriculture Cooperative Extension Service.

Crossing job starts

ROCHELLE — The Burlington Northern Railroad will be working on the Flagg Center Crossing today, Wednesday and Thursday. A barricade will be erected from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Retired teachers meet in Rochelle

The Ogle-Lee Unit of the Illinois and National Retired Teachers' Association will meet April 20, for a noon luncheon at the First United Presbyterian Church, 1100 Calvin Road, Rochelle. The price of the luncheon is $2.50.

The program will include an address by Dr. Lamar Fly, president of Kishwaukee College, who will speak on "Education and the Family." Music will be furnished by Judy Sulaver, Marsha Bend, and Judith Berg, the Calvary Chords, noted for their gospel singing.

Eligible membership includes any retired teacher, school nurse, or administrator formerly employed in the public schools of Illinois; a spouse of any regular member; and teachers who have retired from other states and who are residing in this area. Membership in either the N.R.T.A. or the I.R.T.A. is not a prerequisite for membership. Those wishing to join the Ogle-Lee Unit pay dues of $1. Any teachers retiring recently or in the past are welcome to contact the president for a reservation letter.

Reservations will be made by returning the form on the letter of invitation, which will be sent to all paid members. Each area has a contact chairman in or near their own home town.

Retired teachers needing any further information concerning the Ogle-Lee Unit of the Retired Teachers Association may confer with the following members in their own areas: Ashton, Orva Vaupel; Polo, Camilla Jones; Dixon, Valoris Burgard, (New person to be appointed); Oregon, Helen Thomas; Rochelle, Irene Herrmann or Olive Hewitt; Kings, Ruth Hayes; Byron, Beulah Featherston; Forreston, Pauline Abbas; Amboy, Erna Hoffman; Mt. Morris, Stella Baker; Stillman Valley, Helen Cox. If they received a letter for the April 20th meeting, retired teachers do not need to use this method of registering for the dinner.

Three luncheon meetings are held each year at noon on the third Tuesday of March, July and October. July 20, the group will meet in the American Legion Hall, Byron. The October 19 meeting will be at Maxson's Manor, Oregon.

Officers for the year 1976-77 are: President, Miss Garland M. Lind, 1000 N. Ninth Street, Rochelle (562-7241); vice president, Mrs. Claude (Irene) Herrmann, 815 Tenth Avenue, Rochelle; secretary, Mrs. A. E. (Lois) Kingma, 515 Sixth Avenue, Rochelle; treasurer, Mrs. Pauline Grant, 506 East Mason, Polo; and Legislative Chairman, Miss Florence Cook, Box 24, Steward.

Found guilty

OREGON — Patricia Udell, 23, found guilty at a bench trial of aggravated assault, was fined $25 Monday by Circuit Judge F. Lawrence Lenz. Judge Lenz additionally placed the Hillcrest woman on six months conditional discharge, a type of non-reporting probation.

Udell was arrested by Ogle County Sheriff's deputies Nov. 21, following an incident at the May Mart Shopping Center in Rochelle. She was accused of swinging a tire iron at Wilma Smith in the parking lot.



The dock at the Assembly Place boat ramp has been installed signalling the beginning of another boating season. Roger Snow put in the dock using materials furnished by the city. The ramp, pictured above, is located at the southern terminus of Assembly Place. (Telegraph Photo)

Dock ready for boaters

Deaths, Funerals

Mrs. Grace Thompson

ROCK FALLS— Mrs. Grace R. Thompson, 77, died early Monday morning in Pleasant View Nursing Home, Morrison.

She was born in Rock Falls Aug. 13, 1898, the daughter of Henry F. and Nellie F. (Englend) Sowles. She married Wallace E. Portner April 25, 1914. He preceded her in death, and she then married Walter L. Thompson Feb. 29, 1956. He also preceded her in death.

Survivors include a son, Kenneth C. Portner, Grand Detour; a daughter, Mrs. Ralph (Kathryn) Near, Como; a sister, Ethyl Rowlands, Chicago; a stepdaughter, Mrs. Charles (Betty) Stollard, Belleville; 12 grandchildren; 36 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Services will be at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday at Wheelock-Allen Funeral Home, Rock Falls, with the Rev. Dennis Henderson, pastor of Faith Assembly Church, Grand Detour, officiating. Burial will be in Grand Detour Cemetery.

Visitation will be today from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. at the funeral home.

A memorial has been established to the Cancer Fund.

Restraining order is extended

OREGON— A temporary restraining order prohibiting strikers from picketing at Commonwealth Edison's Byron nuclear construction site has been extended until Monday while a federal court considers a petition to transfer the case into its jurisdiction.

Members of Teamsters Local 455 began picketing the site last week after a truck driver, working for a contractor at the site, was fired. Five other unions honored the Teamsters line during the attempted work stoppage.

Monday the federal court in Freeport was petitioned to handle the case. The federal court's decision is pending, according to Ogle County Circuit Judge John L. Moore.

If the federal court takes the case, no further hearings will be required in the Ogle court.

Franklin school lunch menu

FRANKLIN GROVE — Hot lunch, Franklin Center High School:

Wednesday— Beef and gravy over potatoes, vegetable, cranberry sauce, cake, bread and butter, milk.

Thursday: Barbecue on bun, tator tots or french fries, corn, brownies, milk.

Friday— Surcake on bun, tarter sauce, potato chips, vegetable, fruit, cookie, milk.

Correction

Through a composition mistake, Monday's Telegraph inadvertently included the name of Rev. William Burgess in the below story which should have read as follows:

An Ohio youth was treated and released at Community General Hospital following an accident Sunday morning.

State police reports indicated that Jeff Orland, 25, was travelling eastbound on Thome Road, a quarter mile east of U.S. 88, when he fell asleep. His vehicle then went off the road and struck a tree.

Damage to the vehicle was estimated at $2,200.

Orland was ticketed for improper lane usage.

The Telegraph regrets the error.

State income tax crackdown begins

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) — A six-month crackdown has begun on persons and employers who have refused to pay an estimated $10.3 million in state income taxes since 1969, state tax officials say.

Illinois Revenue Department Director Robert Allphin told a news conference Monday that the department is enforcing a law which permits the state to seize assets, such as cars or money in bank accounts, and sell the property to collect the unpaid taxes.

He said 29,064 individuals and 5,210 employers throughout the state have been identified as tax delinquents. He said the average single tax debt is $153.50.

Warrants for the seizure of assets of 65 individuals who have refused to pay $26,222 in back taxes and 17 employers who owe $40,852 were issued Monday, according to Allphin.

"In most of these cases, tax returns were filed and the taxes owed were declared. But the taxes were never paid," Allphin said.

"We have tried other methods to collect them — correspondence, telephone calls, personal contacts — and they have failed. Seizure is the step of last resort, but in these cases it is a step that must be taken," he said.

"We will continue to order seizures of assets until each of the 34,000 cases has been cleared up," Allphin said.

But he added he hopes warrants won't have to be issued in all cases and that the delinquent tax debts will be paid voluntarily.

Warrants for seizure of assets are served by county sheriffs, Allphin said. He said he has recommended against seizure of residences or equipment essential to doing business.

If the taxes aren't paid within 20 days after the warrant was issued, the sheriff can sell the seized property within the next 70 days.

The tax compliance mechanism has been in the law since the state income tax was enacted in 1969, Allphin said, but this is the first time it has been used on such a large scale.

A similar program has been used to force employers to pay sales taxes which they owe.

Lindquist awarded Rochelle contract

ROCHELLE — The bid for the construction of the addition to the Rochelle Township High School was awarded to Lindquist Construction Co., Dixon, at an adjourned meeting of the school board Monday night.

The Lindquist Co., submitted a bid of $561,417. A lower bid was received from Cunningham Bros., South Beloit, but the bid did not meet the specifications.

Sub-contracts were awarded to Althoff Industries, McHenry, Ill., ($37,377); Rochelle Plumbing and Heating ($35,879); and Kallal's Sheet Metal, DeKalb, ($117,900).

The bids were received at a special meeting Thursday night and turned over to Johnson-Kile-Seehausen, an architectural and engineering firm from Rockford.

Construction of the 16-room, two-story addition, which will be attached to the northeast corner of the present building, is scheduled to begin soon. Completion of the addition is anticipated for the fall.

Only 10 per cent of restaurants pass tests

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration reports a recent survey revealed 90 per cent of restaurants visited by inspectors did not meet minimum sanitary standards.

Illinois is one of three states which has a manditory certification program for food handlers and will become fully effective in 1978.

Courses have been offered at Sauk Valley College for the last four semesters which are approved by the Illinois Department of Public Health to qualify persons for certified food handlers. One-hundred and thirty-three persons have taken this course. Instructors have been Joyce G. Miller, director of dietary at KSB Hospital and Wendy Marks, dietitian, Community General Hospital, Sterling.

Lee County has 150 food service establishments which are inspected by William Weber, sanitarian for the County Health Department.

Food borne disease outbreaks may occur anywhere from the field to the table but sanitarians know the majority of problems surface at the food preparation place. Food handling techniques, time-temperature control, property cleaning and sanitizing of kitchen equipment and employes' personal hygiene habits all are important in preventing outbreaks of food borne disease.

Pinewood derby for Madison Cubs

Madison School Cub Scouts, Pack 196, held their annual pinewood derby recently at the school.

Twenty-nine Cub Scouts from five dens participated in the derby.

The pack winners were: First, Mike Gower; second, Monte Smith; third, John Varga.

Rochelle Hospital

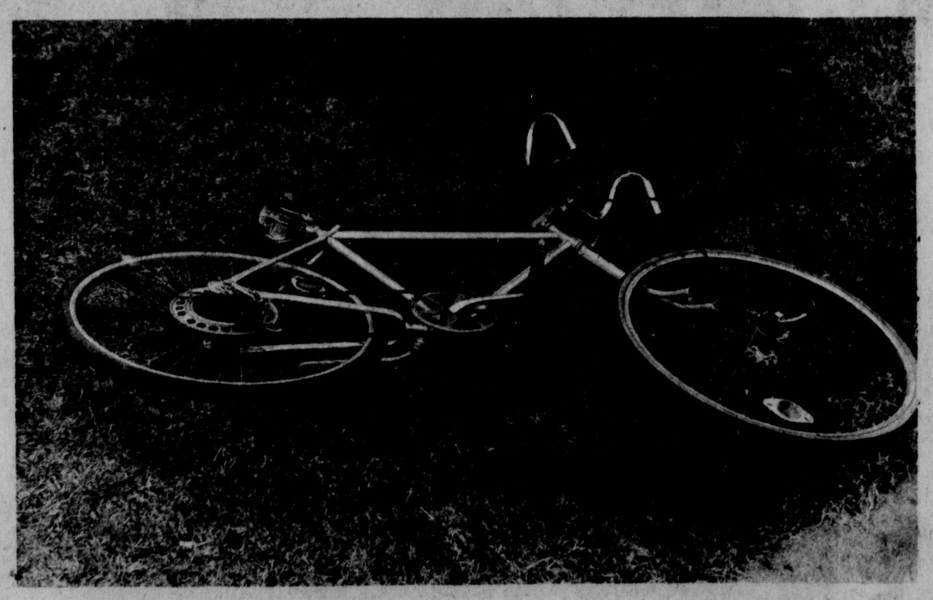
Admitted, March 29: Arthur Askelande, Creston; George Lang, Lindenwood; Mrs. Steven Rice, Davis Junction; Mrs. Arnold Ranken, Steward; Ralph Rineheart, Harry Miller, Rochelle.

Discharged: Mrs. Donald Argis, Ocie Jarrett, Rochelle.

Births: Mr. and Mrs. Steven Rice, Davis Junction, a daughter.



The British occupied Philadelphia on Sept 26, 1777, stationing 9,000 troops in Germantown, a small village to the north of the city. On October 4 Washington attacked in a brilliantly planned but poorly executed maneuver that centered around the house of Benjamin Chew. Although Washington narrowly failed to win, the battle, and Burgoyne's surrender at Saratoga shortly after, helped to open an alliance with France, The World Almanac reveals.



Kurt Dimmig's bike lays at the corner of Eighth Street and Inlet Street, where it was thrown after being struck by a car driven by Waynette Huggins, 28, 1715 W. Ninth St., at noon today. Dimmig, 14, 1113 S. Galena Ave., was rushed to KSB Hospital by the Dixon Fire Dept. emergency vehicle, where he was being examined at press time. Dixon Police were investigating the incident. (Telegraph Photo)

Bicycle is hit

Hopes to pass another State Fair bill

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (AP) — The sponsor of legislation designed to clean up the scandal-marred Illinois State Fair says he will try this spring to get a bill passed that is constitutional.

Rep. J. David Jones, R-Springfield, said he was disappointed in a state Supreme Court ruling Monday which struck down a law taking control of the fair away from the governor and giving it to a 15-member board.

The court said the part of the law providing for initial appointment of 12 members of the board by legislative leaders was unconstitutional.

"Whatever it takes to make a constitutional act, that's what we will pursue," said Jones, who sponsored the House bill that led to the law.

Gov. Daniel Walker vetoed the bill, but the veto was overridden by the General Assembly last fall. Fair Manager Paul King then filed suit challenging the law's constitutionality.

Jones said he hopes state fair legislation will be approved during the spring session of the legislature which begins Monday, though legislative rules provide that only the budget and "emergency" legislation is to be considered.

"I will introduce the legislation," he said. "Whether it will be considered is an open question. When the court strikes down a law, I would think that would be a matter with emergency attributes."

However, Jones said that no matter what happens, it is probable that this year's fair would be operated by the existing state fair agency.

King declined comment on the court's ruling, but said planning for the fair had not been interrupted by the legal wrangling over the proposed new board.

The state fair in recent years has been criticized for fiscal mismanagement, particularly in the letting of contracts, by the state auditor general and a Sangamon County grand jury.

Two state officials, including an assistant state fair manager, were fired in December 1974 over alleged conflict of interest in awarding a manure hauling contract.

The initial board was to be composed of 12 persons appointed by leaders of the House and Senate and three picked by the governor. But this board was to be superceded by 1978 with a board consisting of five persons appointed by the governor and 10 elected from districts throughout the state.

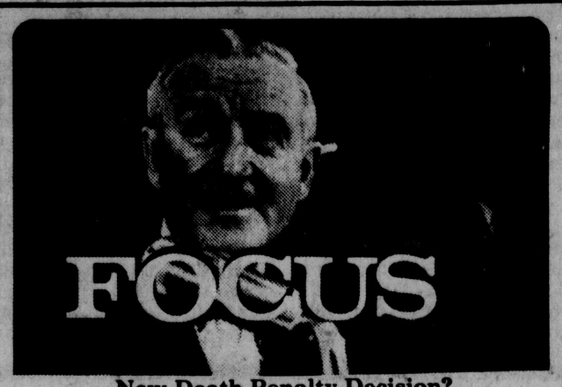
The 12 legislative appointments had been made, but Walker had not announced his selections. The board neither met nor took any action.

In another decision announced Monday, the court reversed an appellate court ruling and upheld the constitutionality of the state's inheritance tax law.

At issue was whether the constitutional doctrine of separation of powers was being violated when Circuit Court judges performed an essentially administrative function in assessing inheritances for taxing purposes.

The court said no, noting that in some cases an executive function may be performed by officers in the judicial branch of government.

The case stemmed from a Circuit Court order in McLean County in the estate of Zulena M. Barker. The appeal to the Supreme Court was made by the office of Atty. Gen. William J. Scott.



New Death Penalty Decision?

The newest Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court is the only current member of the nation's highest court who did not take part in the historic 1972 decision that declared that capital punishment as it was then administered was unconstitutional. He was chosen to succeed Justice William O. Douglas on November 28, 1975. Douglas was one of the five justices who voted against the death penalty as it was applied in 1972. Since that decision, about two-thirds of the states have passed laws making the death penalty mandatory in certain cases. The Supreme Court was scheduled to hear arguments in five capital punishment cases today and tomorrow.

DO YOU KNOW — Who is this newest member of the U.S. Supreme Court?

MONDAY'S ANSWER — Yassir Arafat is head of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

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Hearing set on budget for Amboy Township

AMBOY — A public hearing on the Amboy Township budget for the 1976-77 fiscal year is set for 7:30 p.m. today in the City Hall.

The proposed budget, which has been on display for public inspection for the last 30-days, lists following items be appropriated for spending in the fiscal year: $30,145 for road and bridge fund; $32,430 for the township fund; $27,408 for general assistance; and $12,000 from federal revenue sharing funds which has been dedicated to public transportation and payment of interest.



CONSERVING his own energy, Robert Lovett of Manchester, Conn., takes daughter Erica, 14 months, for an airing and at the same time clears snow from the walk with a plow fixed to her stroller.

Named as official of Polo firm



JOHN D. COSTELLO

John D. Costello has been named executive vice president of Central Quality Industries, Inc., Polo, according to an announcement by Arthur H. Eichholz, president of the firm.

Previouslly, as a member of the international public accounting firm of Coopers and Lybrand, Costello served as management consultant to a broad range of manufacturing and distribution companies in major areas of operational planning and control systems covering labor, inventory, production maintenance, data processing, financial reporting, organizational structures, plant and office facilities.

Other background includes private industry experience as materials control manager, chief industrial engineer, and technical sales engineer in metal working firms. He is a graduate of Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago.

At Central Quality Industries, Costello will be concerned primarily with planning and supervising the expanding growth and development of Central's major product lines.

Deputies to meet

The Lee County Deputy Sheriff's Reserve will meet Thursday at 7:30 p.m., at the Loveland Community Building.

Ladd only bidder on project

AMBOY — Only one bid was received at the Street improvement project at the public opening held in the city hall Monday afternoon.

Ladd Construction Company, Spring Valley, offered bid of $29,88.40 for surfacing of some 11 blocks of city streets.

No action was taken and bid will be studied until April 6 meeting of the council. If the contract is awarded to Ladd the work will be started within 30 days.

Candidates for school board to meet public

The Dixon Chamber of Commerce will sponsor Meet the Candidates for the Board of Education Night to be held April 6 at 7 p.m. in Loveland Community House.

All persons seeking positions on the school board will be invited to the meeting and be asked to give a brief statement about their candidacy and then be questioned by the general public attending the meeting.

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Can you settle a question in my mind? I know that seniors can apply for two grants— the circuit breaker and the sales tax relief grant— by filling out one form and sending it to the Department of Revenue. But if I qualify for both grants, will I receive two checks or just one? D.E.

Dear Mrs. E:

This question has been asked previously in this column, but it has come up again quite naturally because of a change in state policy. When the sales tax or "additional grant" became law in 1975, those elderly and disabled persons who applied for it and for the circuit breaker grant— and were qualified for both— received two checks in the mail.

Starting with applications processed this year, however, only one check is being issued. The average applicant is eligible for a $170 circuit breaker or property tax relief grant and a $75 sales tax relief or additional grant. Instead of receiving separate checks for $170 and $75, the applicant will receive one check for $245. There are, of course, many people who are eligible for the additional grant only. There is no change in the amount to which you are entitled— only in the way it is handled at the state level.

You should be notified by the Department of Revenue as to how much your grant or grants add up to.

Every so often you refer to an Area Agency on Aging. How can I find out which Area Agency has authority in the county where I live?— S. V.

Dear Mr. V:

There are 13 Area Agencies on Aging in Illinois, and although the boundaries have not changed since first established, the headquarters for some of them have relocated more recently. Each Area Agency is responsible for deciding which community service projects should be funded with money from Title III of the Older Americans Act. The Area Agencies also are responsible for overall planning, identification of priorities and needs, and creation of information and referral or outreach services.

Area one is headquartered in Rockford and covers nine counties in the northwest corner of Illinois. Area two covers eight counties, from Will to Lake, in northeast Illinois and is based in Kankakee. Area three is western Illinois, a 10-county area centered in Moline and stretching east to La Salle County and south to McDonough County. Area four contains Peoria and five surrounding counties. Area five, the largest, involves 16 counties in east central Illinois and has headquarters in Bloomington. The Decature and Champaign areas are in this region.

Area six, west central, is headquartered in Quincy and includes Adams and five other counties on the western edge of the state. Area seven is known as Project LIFE, based in Springfield and encompassing 12 centrally situated counties. Area eight has seven counties in southwestern Illinois with offices in East St. Louis. Area nine (Midland) has headquarters in Centralia and includes five counties. Area 10 is nine counties in the southeastern portion, with Mt. Carmel the central site. Area 11 covers the 13 southernmost counties of Illinois; its base of operations is at John Logan College in Carterville. Area 12 is the City of Chicago and Area 13 includes all of suburban Cook County.

For addresses and hpne numbers of the agencies, call the Senior Action HOTLINE.

I feel strongly that my aunt, who is receiving Social Security benefits, is not able to manage her money properly. Can anything be done to help her?— P. L.

Dear Miss L:

In certain circumstances, the local Social Security office will designate a "representative payee"— a relative or other person— to receive Social Security checks on behalf of a recipient. You'll have to contact the Social Security representatives in your community. Also, some United Way and other social service agencies provide budget counseling services to families who need them.

Persons may call the toll-free Senior Action Hotline 800-252-6565 with questions or complaints about government agencies or programs or for information about tax relief, health care, food stamps, Social Security, employment, housing or legal aid.

In Dixon persons may call the Lee County Council for Aging 288-2117.

In memoriam

In fond memory of Charles Hoffman, loving husband, father and grandfather, who passed away June 6, 1975. Today, March 30, would have been our Golden Wedding Anniversary.

A loving wish this special day
To the one we loved who has passed away.
O! Lord above we humbly pray
Give to him our love today.
And as sure as night must turn to dawn
Our love for him goes on and on.

Mrs. Charles Hoffman
Mr. & Mrs. Elton Reigle and Family
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Burhenn and Family

Card of Thanks

We would like to thank all our friends and relatives for the many acts of kindness shown during our time of sorrow.

The family of James Miller.

I would like to thank everyone for their prayers, visits, cards, flowers and gifts during my stay at Rockford Memorial Hospital and since my return home.

Donna Bennett

A special thank you to our family, relatives, friends and neighbors for their prayers, cards, flowers, fruit, gifts, calls and visits while Bill was in KSB Hospital and since his return home. Special thanks to the doctors, Intensive Care and hospital staff for their wonderful care. Also thanks to the pastors for visits and prayers.

William T. and Mildred Kessel

I would like to thank all the staff on third floor at KSB, Dr. Murphy and his assistants, Mr. Dutchoff, operating and recovery room nurses.

Mildred Jenkins

Our grateful thanks to our relatives, friends and neighbors for the flowers, cards, foods, cars, and memorial gifts given at the time of the illness and death of our beloved one, Leo B. Miller. The memorial gifts were given to Cancer Research, Diabetes Assn., First Lutheran Church in Chadwick and St. Paul Lutheran Church in Dixon. A special thank you to Pastors Swarbrick and Wurtz; Doctor Hong and Doctor Mullem; and to the wonderful nurses on second floor at K.S.B. Hospital. Your kindness will long be remembered. May God bless all of you.

Mrs. Leo B. Miller
Mr. & Mrs. Leo G. Miller and Family
Mr. & Mrs. Eugene C. Miller and Family
Mrs. Arthur Miller

Polo pastor to be guest speaker

OREGON — The Rev. Andrew Tetzlaff, pastor of St. Mark Lutheran Church, Polo, will be the guest speaker for the March 31 mid-week Lenten service at 7:30 p.m., in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Oregon. His topic will be "God in the Hands of Religious Man-Caiaphas."

David Guist will be worship leader for the service with special music provided by the senior choir. The fellowship hour following the service will be served by the members of the Joanna Circle.



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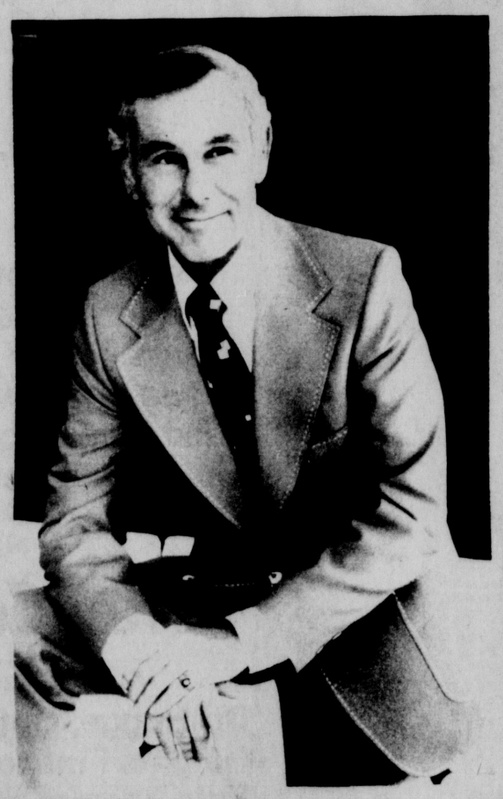
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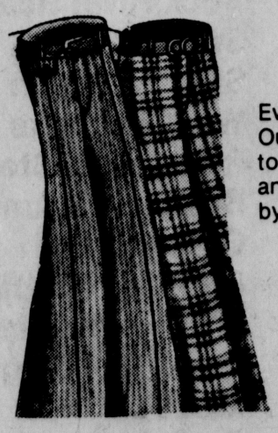
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AHS to present two plays Friday

ASHTON — The spring play of the students of the Ashton High School will be given on Friday at the Mills and Petrie Building at 7:30 p.m. Tickets will be for adults $1.50 and for students $1.

There will be two one-act plays — one by the Drama Club, which will be a one-act mystery play, entitled, "Trifles," written by Susan Glaspell. The cast consists of Nancy Miller as Mrs. Hale and Stan Sword as Mr. Hale, a potato farmer; Becky Lawson as Mrs. Peters, David Kersten as Mr. Hale's chef and Laurel Hicks as an attorney. Many murders take place, but are eventually solved.

The senior class will present an one-act comedy. Entitled, "Not Enough Rope," written by Elaine May.

This is about a young woman living in a boarding house, portrayed by Sue Thompson. She asks one of the male tenants for enough rope to hang herself and the tenant, portrayed by Kent Anders, is very reluctant to do so, gives it to her. The old woman tenant, Rene Kahn, is also very disturbed and refuses to help the young girl. A great struggle ensues and there is much comedy involved.

The play is open to the public.

Student director of the play is Diane Heckman; faculty director is Janet Lusher, English I and II teacher.

Civil War group to hear program on Camp Douglas

OREGON — Howard F. Engelbrecht, Oregon banker and history student, will speak on "Camp Douglas," at the meeting of the Oregon Civil War Group tonight.

Camp Douglas was on Chicago's south side and was the training grounds for many regiments of Illinois troops who served in the Civl War.

Wes Patterson, Rockford, will provide the refreshments for the meeting which is open to the public. The meeting, which begins at 8 p.m., will be in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Oregon.

Watercolor show Wednesday

OREGON — The Eagle's Nest Art Group announces a watercolor demonstration by Fred Zeretske, Rockford, to be given Wednesday evening at 7:30 p.m., in the Oregon Library. A small fee will be charged to help defray the cost.

All members are urged to attend. Non-members will also be asked to pay the fee. Mr. Zeretske is an accomplished artist in the watercolor field and this promises to be an interesting and informative session.

The annual spring membership art show, sponsored by the group, will be held in the First Presbyterian Church, Oregon, and will open on April 25.

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Registration for 5-year-olds set for Friday

WALNUT — Kindergarten registration for the 1976-77 school year will be held at the Walnut Grade School Friday, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Any child who is five years old on or before December 1, 1976 will be eligible to attend kindergarten for the 76-77 school year.

Parents are asked to bring their birth record or certificate.

Rotary club to meet

OREGON — William Urbanek will discuss the topic of "Our Schools," as the program for the Oregon Rotary Club at their Wednesday meeting at 12:15 p.m., in the VFW Club.

Dick Gray and Don Kelley were given their pins as they became members of Rotary at the last meeting.

Fred Smith, president, appointed a Fall Dance committee to serve as the guiding force behind the promotional dance as a fall project. Larry Lillie, chairman, Bob Brown, Lawrence Lenz, Gerald Powers, Fred Smith, Willis Smith, Ted Suneson and Ed Gebhardt.

Walnut Chamber observes youth night

WALNUT — The Walnut Chamber of Commerce obseved Youth Night at its regular dinner meeting recently at the Green River Country Club.

Ralph Pritchard, president, opened the meeting by announcing that in times when good news does not make news, he was fortunate to have "good news" because six outstanding young people were present to report on activities for future leaders.

He introduced Robert Glaser of the Walnut High School faculty, who explained the benefits derived by the four students who had attended the Presidential Classroom for Young Americans: Lisa Trone, Twyla Ziegler, Kathy Wallace and Judy Adams.

The Presidential Classroom is a non-partisan project sponsored by wives and cabinet members since 1968, to observe government in action. Glaser stated the advantages of visiting Washington, D.C., as a study opportunity and as a means of receiving a broader view of the political process, and introduced the students who had attended the classroom.

Lisa Trone reported on the seminars attended each evening by the 350 students from throughout the United States and its possessions overseas. Discussed at these seminars were the budget, the military role in national security, the presidency, the American electorate, foreign policy, role of the news media, House of Representatives, the government and the economy. She closed with a report of the speakers' tours enjoyed by the group which included visits to Arlington National Cemetery; the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier, where they observed the changing of the guard; the Kennedy graves, National Cathedral, J. F. Kennedy Center of the Performing Arts, Jefferson Memorial, Washington Memorial, the Iwo Jima statue, the Supreme Court, the Smithsonian Institute and gcapital Hill. They were also able to see some governmental personalities such as Ted Kennedy, Charles Percy, George McGovern and John Glenn.

Kathy Wallace explained living arrangements during the trip and noted that they were encouraged to make new friends and were assigned to three-girl rooms with those from diferent areas whom they had not yet met. Following an orientation film narrated by President Ford, they were divided into sections for transport and study. A typical day began at 6:45 a.m., with curfew at 11 p.m. The House and Senate were not in session during their stay so most senators and representatives were not available, but Kathy was able to visit Rep. Tom Railsback. She also discussed social events, which included dances and the graduation events.

In a summary of the trip, Judy Adams expressed the advantages of learning about government first-hand and visiting famous Washington sites. She thought making new friends was an important part of the Presidential classroom project and that it encouraged the students to recognize their own importance and take pride in being a part of the rewarding program.

Delegates to 1975 Illinois Girls State, Rita Clausen and Mary Sue Rhodes, were also introduced to speak of their experiences last June when they attended Girls State held at McMurray College, Jacksonville. Rita described the way delegates were taught voting procedures by choosing and electing their own candidates to office. State officials addressed the students during the week and Jacksonville city officials spoke at the closing banquet. A tour of Springfield and state offices was also included.

Mary Sue Rhodes explained the ways girls set up their own government by using a textbook on government, from which to study. City, county and state officials were nominated, gave campaign speeches and were elected. Mary Sue had been a candidate and was elected city clerk.

Five clubs were announced as winners in the cleanup campaign conducted last April; first, Cub Scouts, $35; second, Hamilton Hustlers, $25; third, Walnut Winners, $15; fourth, Brownie Pack 424; and fifth, Brownie Pack 420. A total of 2,990 pounds of trash was collected.

In the Christmas Tree Decorating Contest, seven clubs participated with prizes awarded as follows: Lucky Leaves, first, $20; Walnut Winners, second, $15; and Cub Scout, Den 3, third, $10.

Entertainment for the evening was furnished by the Walnut Community High School stage band, The Cultural Lang, directed by John Bolz, music instructor.

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'Forced' retirees may draw unemployment on top of pension

WASHINGTON (AP) — Many retirees who draw pensions also are able to get full unemployment benefits as long as they can show they were "forced" to retire and that they are seeking another job.

The nation's financially ailing unemployment insurance system paid out $187 million to an estimated 161,000 pensioners in 1974, an Associated Press analysis of a Census Bureau survey shows.

An estimated 90,000 federal, state and local government pensioners and 71,000 retirees from private business received checks from public unemployment funds in 1974, according to a computer analysis.

The analysis found most of those private pensioners also got a third check, Social Security benefits. A federal pension is designed to be comparable to the total of a private pension and Social Security.

Predictably, the practice of paying jobless benefits to retirees is controversial, even though it involves less than 1 per cent of the total $19 billion yearly cost of unemployment compensation. Sen. Dewey Bartlett, R-Okla., has introduced a bill to cut down on the practice.

"Unemployment compensation is designed to help a person who loses his job and is facing a rather bleak period of time trying to obtain another job. It's to carry him over, perhaps not to the level of living to which he has become accustomed, but as an emergency subsistence allowance to enable him to make it," says Bartlett.

"To allow persons with a guaranteed income from retirement to receive bonus benefits — intended solely for those who had no job — is a travesty."

Bartlett made an effort last year on the Senate floor to ban jobless pay for federal pensioners, but his atttempt failed by a 27 to 64 vote.

Jim Hacking of the American Association of Retired People said retirees should not be discriminated against.

"Wiping this off the books would reinforce those barriers for elderly people who want to have productive jobs," he declared.

But Chuck Merin of the National Association of Retired Federal Employes said his group could support Bartlett's bill to deduct a retiree's pension — private or government — dollar for dollar from jobless pay.

Lawrence Weatherford, head of the division of the U.S. Labor Department that oversees the program, said his agency does not know how many pensioners get jobless benefits and that developing such figures would be expensive and time consuming.

However, The AP totals were calculated at a cost of about $275 from the same census survey used by the Labor Department to produce national unemployment figures for March 1975.

The census data could not provide estimates of how much federal tax money was involved or of how many retirees did not draw jobless pay.

WASHINGTON (AP) — Each state determines whether a pensioner can qualify for full jobless benefits, since each sets its own eligibility, benefit and deduction rules for its part of the $19 billion unemployment insurance system.

Here is a breakdown of the availibility of jobless pay to pensioners, according to the U.S. Labor Department.

—In 16 states, including many of those with the most unemployed, both private and government pensioners can draw full unemployment benefits. The states are Alaska, Arizona, California, Georgia, Hawaii, Kansas, Kentucky, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, North Carolina, North Dakota, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Texas and Vermont.

—In 15 other states, many retirees from the military can draw full benefits, while most nongovernment pensioners cannot. These are Arkansas, Connecticut, Florida, Idaho, Iowa, Louisiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Dakota and Tennessee.

In eight of the above states, federal civilian pensioners can receive more jobless pay than most other pensioners, despite federal law saying ex-federal employes shall receive the same benefits as other jobless persons.

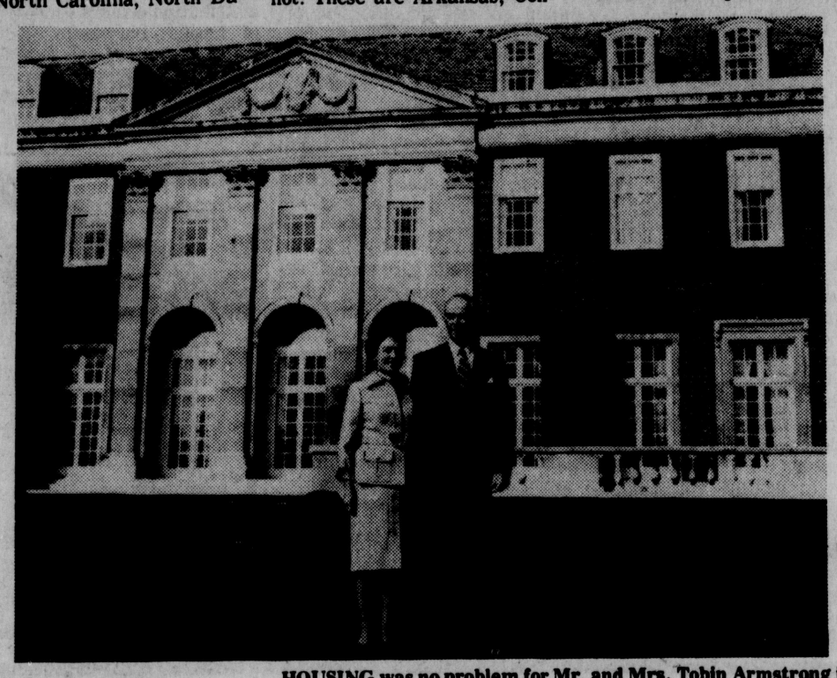
In Louisiana and South Dakota, all those drawing government pensions also can draw full unemployment benefits, while retirees from private business face reduced jobless benefits because of their pensions.

In Massachusetts and Oklahoma, federal pensioners, military and civilian, can draw full jobless pay. In those states, jobless benefits for other retirees can be reduced or eliminated because of their pensions.

In Ohio, all federal pensioners and all other retirees who contributed to their own pension plans can draw full unemployment checks. Others face a reduction in benefits.

In Missouri, Nebraska and Connecticut, federal civilian pensioners and some private pensioners can draw full benefits — at least initially — while other pensioners face reduced jobless pay. Delaware also treats federal pensioners in this manner, but reduces jobless benefits going to military pensioners.

—In the other 19 states and the District of Columbia, unemployment benefits may be reduced if the applicant draws a pension. The amount of the reduction varies and can mean the pensioner gets no check.



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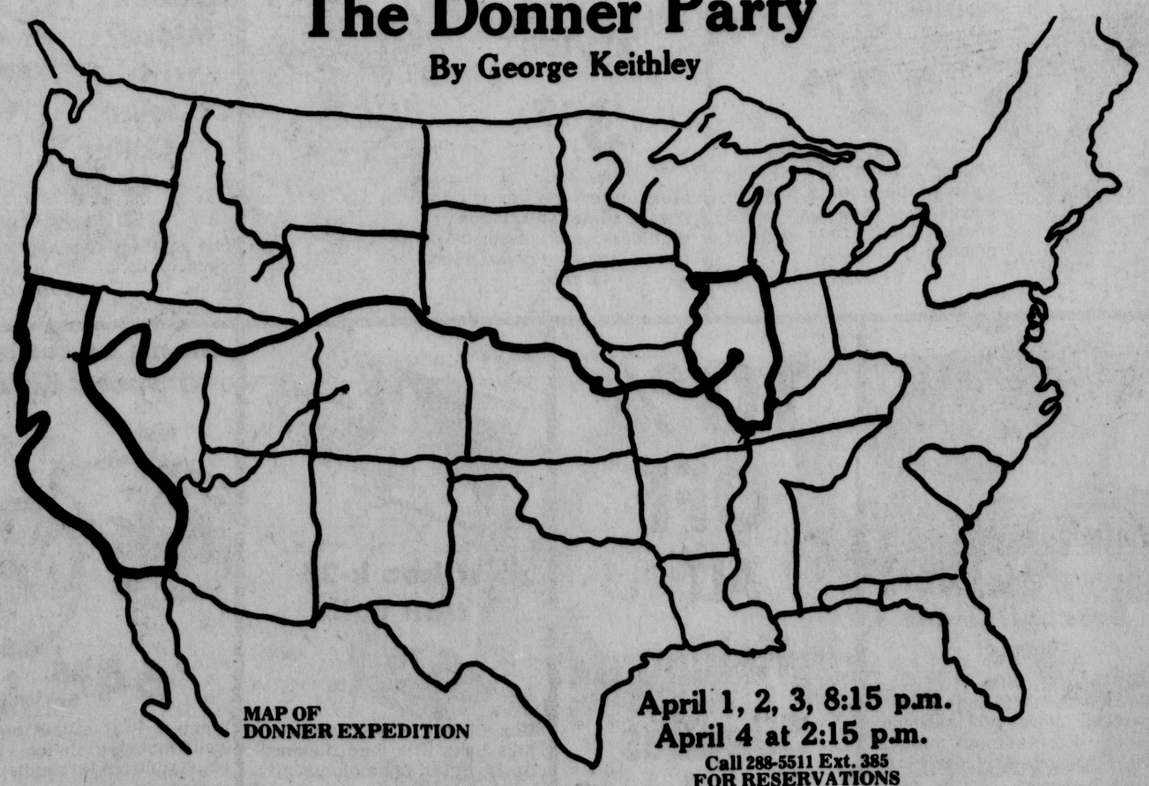
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WASHINGTON (AP) — There are going to be some changes on the shelves of your friendly neighborhood liquor store and they may be enough to drive you to drink.

But you'd better be cold sober when you stock up on your favorite spirits because beginning in October there will be 16 different sizes of liquor bottles to choose from.

It's all part of the government's plan for converting the country to the metric system.

The Treasury Department's Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms issued regulations Wednesday to allow distillers to begin in October a three-year program changing their bottles to metric measures.

But the changeover will be gradual and until 1980 distillers will be able to dispense their products in the 10 conventional bottles familiar to the liquor store patron as well as in the six designated metric size bottles. By 1980 all bottles will be in the metric sizes.

That means the drinker will have to make a choice during the transition period from 16 basic bottle sizes. The difference between some bottle sizes wil be practically indistiguishable.

Rex D. Davis, director of the alcohol bureau, said the new container sizes "should result in positive benefits for consumers as well as for industry and government."

The changeover to metric measures, he said, should help consumers make size and price comparisons, and standardization should deter any consumer deception.

Under the rules issued by the agency, the current miniature, which contains 1.6 ounces, will become the new 50 milliliter size containing 1.7 ounces.

The eight-ounce half pint will become obsolete and will be replaced by the smaller 200 milliliter bottle containing 6.8 ounces. A pint, containing 16 ounces, will become a 500 milliliter bottle containing 16.9 ounces.

The "fifth," which is really four-fifths of a quart, contains 25.6 ounces. It will be succeeded by the 750 milliliter bottle containing 25.4 ounces.

The 32-ounce quart will be replaced by the 33.8-ounce liter. And the 64-ounce half-gallon will become the 1.75 liter bottle containing 59.2 ounces.

Although the bottles will be different, it's generally expected that reaching the bottom of one will have the same effect.

Aftermath of quake . . .

Guatemala gears for rain

GUATEMALA CITY, Guatemala (AP) — Foreign and local volunteers are battling to provide shelter for the homeless and to clear blocked rivers and streams before the rains arrive sometime in May.

The rivers are dammed by massive landslides and the collapse of mountainsides during the devastating earthquake of Feb. 4 that killed some 23,000 persons, injured 76,000 and left more than a million — one sixth of Guatemala's population — homeless.

Government officials fear Guatemala could suffer another major disaster — this time flooding — if the rivers are not unplugged before the rains come.

One of the most dangerous areas is on the Pensativo River, northwest of Guatemala City. It threatens to flood the one time capital of Antigua, some 30 miles from here. Antigua is now an important tourist site.

Government engineers have also located several dams on the Rio Madre Vieja, including one at a spot known as "Los Chocoyos," between Patzun and Godinez, where they estimate a million cubic meters of earth must be removed to free the river. There is another bad spot on the Rio Pixcaya near Chimaltenango.

U.S. Army engineers and Mexican construction crews are helping Guatemalans clear blocked highways. They estimate it will take three to six months to clear more than 100 massive landslides in a 35-mile stretch of the main highway leading east from Guatemala City to the key ports on the Caribbean Sea.

The government has estimated it would cost $35 million to reconstruct damaged highways and more than $1 billion for reconstruction throughout the country.

The National Geographic Institute has estimated the quake affected 15,544 square miles out of the national territory of 42,042 square miles. There is severe damage in 17 of the country's 22 states.

One of the most expensive projects is President Kjell Eugenio Laugerud's "Operation Rooftop," a pledge to provide shelter for every homeless family before the rains arrive.

It is estimated 500,000 sheets of corrugated metal roofing are needed. The idea is to replace the traditional heavy roof tiles which killed so many people when adobe houses collapsed.

The government has pledged to construct 44,000 provisional shelters in the capital and another 107,000 in the countryside.

The government is seeking loans from the U.S. Agency for International Development (AID), the International Development Bank, the International Reconstruction Bank and the World Bank. In addition, the government intends to issue $65 million in bonds through national banks.

International aid continues to flow into the country and is being distributed according to need as determined by army officials, the Guatemalan Red Cross, and private relief agencies.

There is no official estimate on the dollar value of the aid nor a breakdown by nation.

Every Western hemisphere nation has sent aid, with the United States and Mexico leading the donors.



UNDER ATTACK by radicals in the Chinese Communist party, Teng Hsiao-ping has dropped from public view in Peking. Temporary successor to the late Chou En-lai, Teng is the target of a propaganda campaign against "capitalist roaders" believed instigated by Mao Tse-tung.

Florida house plants blooming

APOPKA, Fla. (AP) — Caravans of trucks, ranging from pickups to tractor trailers, roll out of this small Central Florida town each day carrying the non-stop harvest of the nation's fastest growing agricultural crop: potted house plants.

"When people talk about Florida, they usually talk about tourism or citrus, but the Florida nursery industry is the big success story of not only the state but the entire nation," says Charles Dunn, executive vice president of the Florida Nurserymen and Growers Association.

In the last three years, wholesale sales of Florida-grown house plants have increased 100 per cent to $87.3 million in 1975, and University of Florida agriculture researchers have predicted a growth rate of 138 per cent by 1985.

Florida currently produces 82 per cent of all the house plants grown in the United States, and about two-thirds of the Sunshine State-crop is centered around Apopka, a garden-variety small town about 10 miles north of Orlando.

"No matter where you live, in a New York City apartment or a Dallas suburb, the odds are good that the philodendron on your coffee table came from right here," said Cecil Rogers, the nursery association's representative in Apopka.

From the small grower to the giant corporation, the sale of Florida-grown plants has expanded at a rate that would turn any Wall Street investor green with envy.

Green Thumb Crop, the largest nursery operation in the state, reported sales of $25 million in 1974 and $41 million in 1975.

"I guess you could call business good," said Green Thumb president Bob Stutzman, who recently moved from exclusively wholesale to retail sales with a marketing scheme based on the home parties used by merchants of plastic food containers.

While Green Thumb has prospered from a big investment in automation, the small, family-run nurseries that dot the back roads around Apopka also have flourished.

"I stay sold out," said Manny Allen, the owner and operator — along with his wife and three sons — of Bay Hill Nursery. "I have for several years. I do in excess of $50,000 in sales a year, but couldn't increase that if I wanted to."

The large nurseries like Green Thumb market their plants through sophisticated distribution centers using fleets of trucks, but many of the small operations sell to youths who drive to Florida in pickup trucks in an effort to turn a profit by selling to retail plant shops which are mushrooming all across the nation.

"They come down here in old trucks and cars and buy as many plants as they can haul back to places like Chicago," said Rogers.

The profits from the retail sale of house plants are massive and increasing. Industry sources say the average mark-up from wholesale to retail is about 400 per cent.

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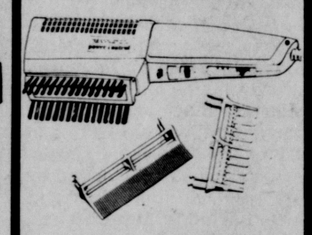
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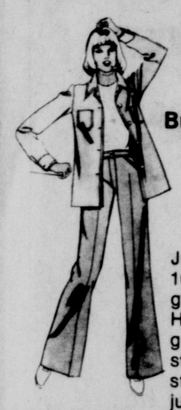


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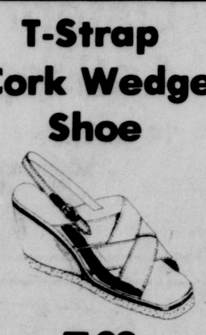
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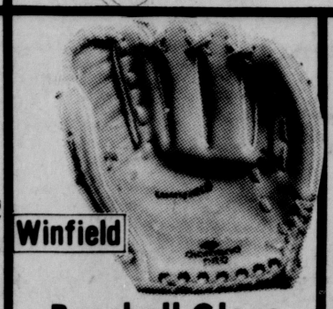
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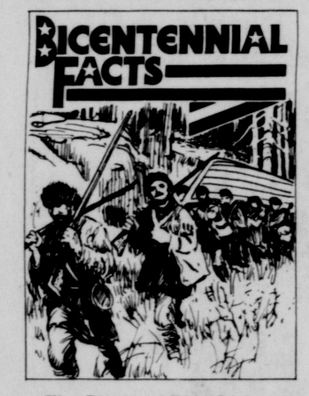
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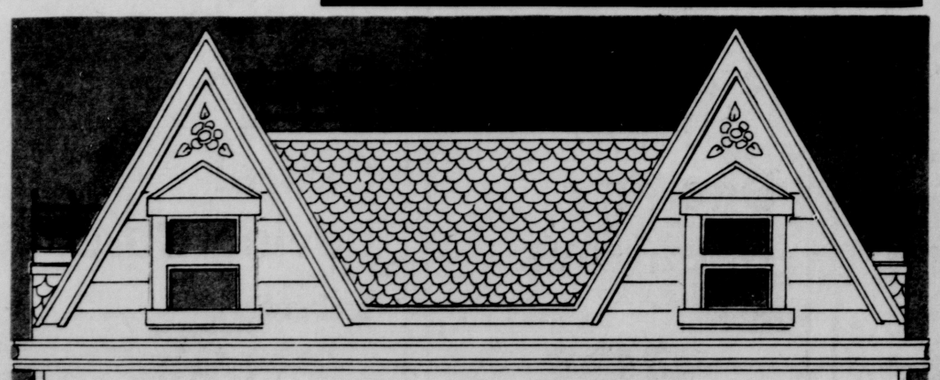


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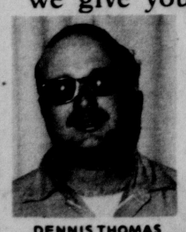
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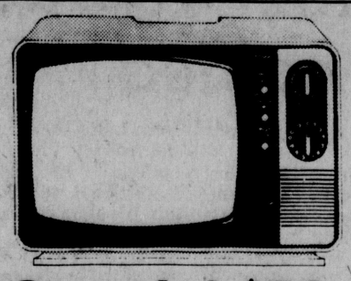
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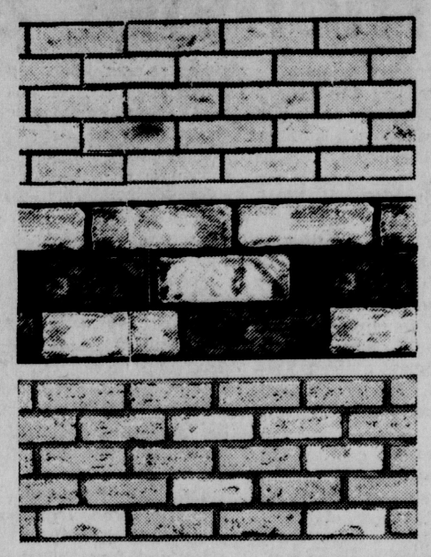


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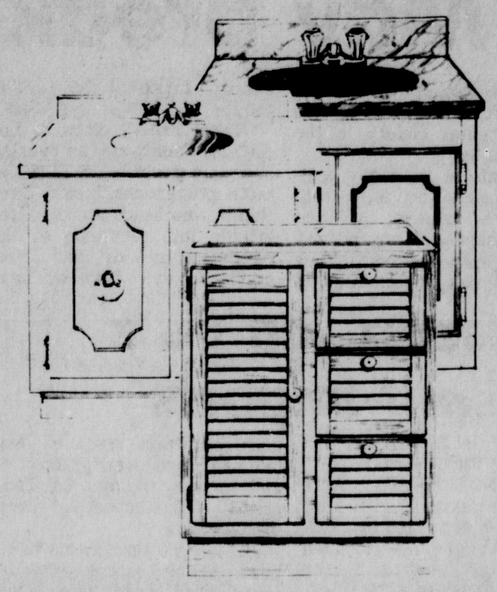
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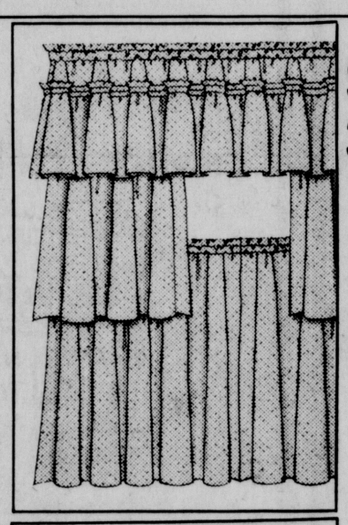
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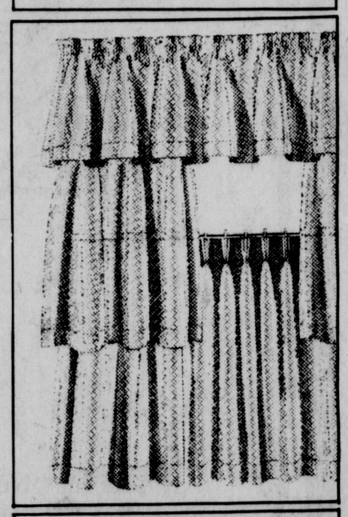
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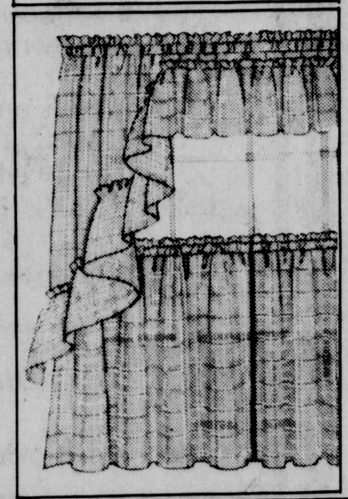
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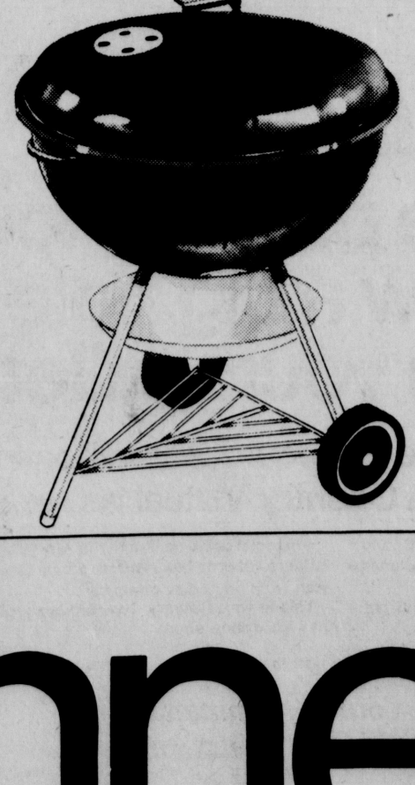
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LOS ANGELES (AP) — Secession fever is gripping the most populous county in the United States.

Residents of its many scattered communities, complaining of neglect, isolation from the seat of power and burdensome taxes, are saying they want to break up Los Angeles County, home of 7.3 million people.

"There are 78 cities in Los Angeles County and an overlay of county government of mammoth proportions," said Jack Baum, who heads a committee looking into secession of the residential-minded San Fernando Valley. "What we have now is government by crisis."

Proponents say the county has become unmanageable and that its breakup into smaller counties is inevitable. Talk of secession has been going on for years, but it is finally being turned into action.

The Santa Clarita Valley, a farming area in the northwest corner of the county, has taken the first step toward breaking away and forming Canyon County. Gov. Edmund G. Brown Jr. signed a bill in February laying the groundwork for the proposed 66,000-resident county.

A five-member commission, yet to be appointed by Brown, will make a six-month study for submission to county voters.

"We're completely separated geographically from Los Angeles County," said Daniel Hon, chairman of the Canyon County Formation Committee. "We're surrounded by mountains on all sides. It's 40 miles to the county seat (Los Angeles). It's even in a different telephone area code."

The Santa Clarita Valley is not alone in its desire for secession. The sprawling San Gabriel Valley, including Pasadena and more than a dozen smaller communities, wants to form its own county. So does the South Bay area, extending south from Los Angeles along the coast.

The San Fernando Valley wants to secede from both the county and the city of Los Angeles and form a city-county government. The city of Los Angeles, meanwhile, is also studying formation of a city-county. San Francisco now has the only city-county government in California.

"The breakup is inevitable," said Louis T. Gilbertson, mayor of Temple City and leader of the San Gabriel Valley secessionists.

"The county is unmanageable now. There is no way foreseeable to put the county under control except to break it up," he said. "I hope it will occur in a responsible fashion, not piecemeal."

Los Angeles County, with 4,060 square miles, stretches from the ocean to the Mojave Desert and is crisscrossed by mountain ranges that slice it up into isolated valleys. It is larger than Delaware and Rhode Island and nearly the size of Connecticut. Its population is larger than all but six states. Its budget of $3 billion exceeds that of 30 other states. Yet it is governed by only five men, a board of supervisors with the power of executive and legislative decisions.

In contrast, New York City has five counties within its borders.

Some urban experts say part of New York City's financial plight can be blamed on the city's inability to tax the wealthier surburbs just outside its borders and that a regional government such as Los Angeles County is needed.

But some Californians feel the county has grown too large and undemocratic.

Pressure on Butz to limit imports

By DON KENDALL
AP Farm Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Agriculture Secretary Earl L. Butz is being quietly asked by cattle producers and some farmbelt members of Congress to put pressure on Australia and New Zealand immediately to sign agreements limiting beef shipments to U.S. markets before he visits those countries next month, according to informed sources.

The sources, including government and trade officials, claim that Australia and New Zealand are stalling on agreeing to new "voluntary restraint" levels on beef shipments in hopes that they can talk Butz into more liberal terms when he visits there in mid-April.

According to law, Butz must announce this week — by April 1 — how much "quota type" meat he expects will be imported for all of the 1976 calendar year. The law says that the secretary must make quarterly estimates of imports and that, if any of those exceed a "trigger" level specified by a formula, there must be strict mandatory import quotas for the remainder of the year.

When Butz made his initial estimate for 1976 three months ago, he said that new agreements would be negotiated with supplying countries — Australia and New Zealand provide about 70 per cent — to keep 1976 imports within bounds.

According to the sources, the State Department is handling the negotiations on the agreements but has not been able to convince Australia and New Zealand to sign the new voluntary restraints.

Butz is scheduled to depart for a round-the-world trip in about two weeks, including stops in New Zealand on April 13-15 and in Australia April 15-18. The sources said that there is some sentiment in those countries to delay signing the meat agreements until officials there have had a chance to talk personally with Butz.

Meanwhile, U.S. cattle prices are down sharply from their more profitable levels of last fall, and producer groups — and their spokesmen in Congress — are concerned over beef imports.

The import agreements have been used in recent years to avoid strict quotas prescribed by a 1964 law that authorizes restrictions to protect U.S. cattle producers. The idea is to regulate imports on the basis of U.S. output, meaning that, if American beef production increases, there would be some increase in imports.

Based on this sort of formula, the maximum level of imports that would be permitted in 1976 without triggering quotas is about 1.23 billion pounds, roughly 6-to-7 per cent of U.S. production.

Although not officially announced, the United States reportedly wants foreign suppliers — 15 countries, including Australia, New Zealand and a number of LatinAmerican suppliers — to agree to limit shipments this year to about 1.22 billion pounds, just slightly under the level that would trigger mandatory quotas for the remainder of this year.

USDA sources said that, without such agreements, imports probably would exceed the trigger level this year and force the Ford administration to make a decision on imposing tough quotas.

BICENTENNIAL FACTS



Contrary to popular belief, Ethan Allen and the Green Mountain Boys did not originally organize to fight the British during the Revolutionary War. They had actually banded together some years before to fight settlers from New York. Boundary lines between New York and New Hampshire were so ill-defined that both colonies were granting land patents to settlers for the same land. The dispute became so hot that New York put a price on Allen's head, The World Almanac notes!

Seven years after murder French police baffled

NOGENT-SUR-OISE, France (AP) — This is the France of vacant lots, no-star restaurants, mud-caked sidewalks and a madman who has killed eight women.

He murdered again this month, dragging a 20-year-old typist into the garbage-strewn yard between a carpentry shop and a 12-room hotel.

The newspapers talked about the assassin of the shadows, the suburban Jack the Ripper and the monster from the banks of the Oise River, but the names were easy tags for a man who has brought a very glacial kind of terror to a very ordinary place.

It is the banality of the killer and his victims, the apparent Monday - Tuesday - Wednesday mediocrity of their lives, that the police say is making it hard for them. Like the salesmen and secretaries, their trousers too narrow, their skirts too unfashionably short, who file into the little station for the 7:14 to Paris, neither the murderer nor the dead women have offered enough distinguishing marks or clues to help.

"We have nothing," says a bearded detective transferred from Lille, 120 miles away, for the case. "I'm not kidding, nothing," he repeats, "No leads. What we know about the guy is public record.

"He's a hunter, he's meticulous, he's intelligent. He seems to get his pleasure out of preparing and watching his victims, because the crimes are committed very quickly. The women are not molested, although their underclothes are removed, and usually the killer takes their purse with him. We figure he may be impotent. But there's nothing unusual or inter-related about the women.

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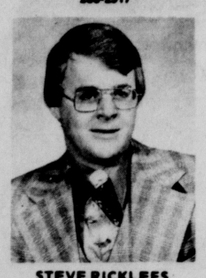
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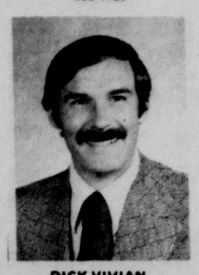
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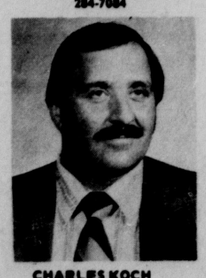
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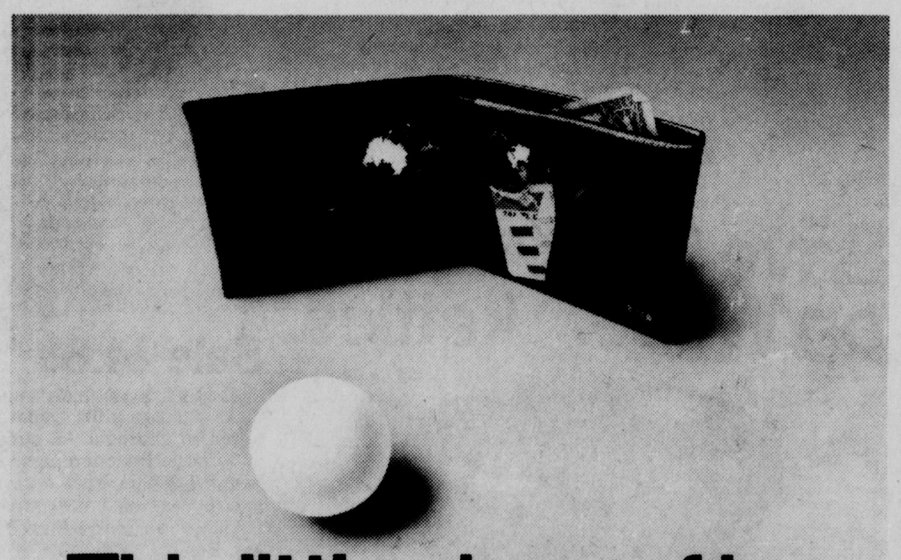
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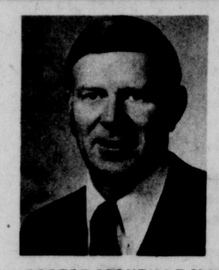
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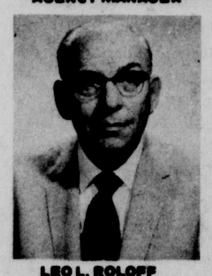
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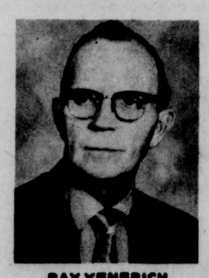
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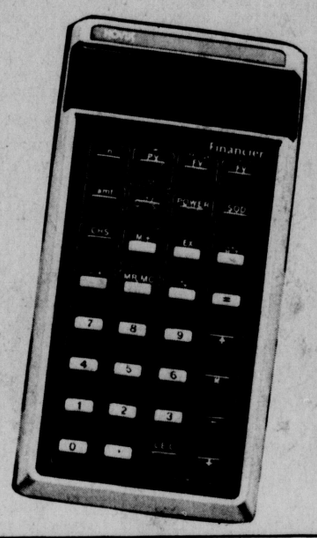


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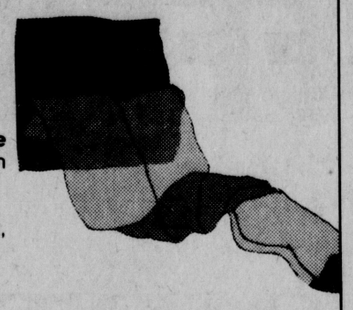


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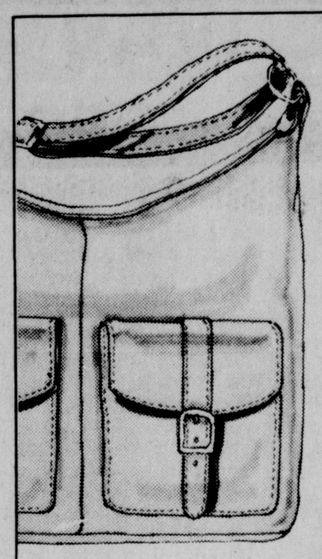
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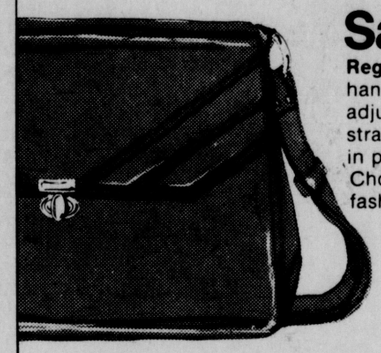
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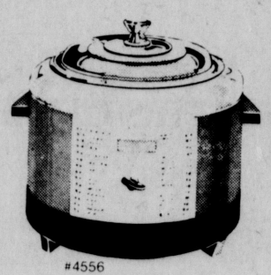


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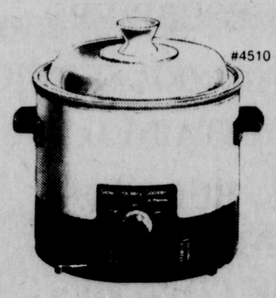
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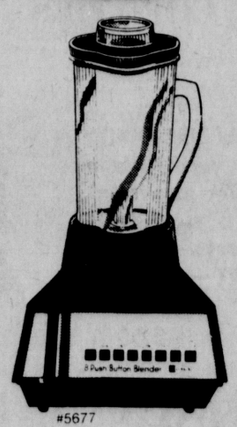


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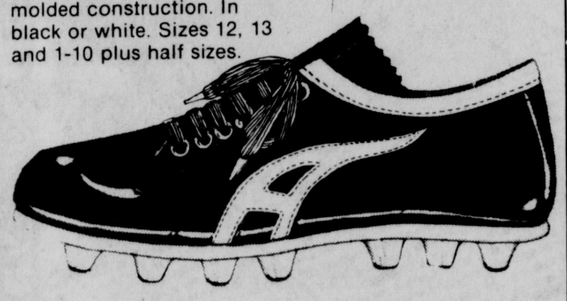
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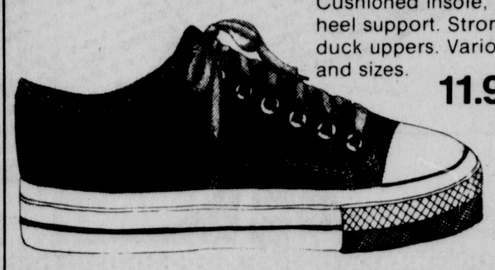
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Mrs. Dempsey with two of her finished doll arrangements. The girl spinning wool is one of her favorite scenes. (Telegraph Photo)

Corn husk dolls a speciality of retired Polo school teacher

By KATHLEEN SAMUEL

POLO — Some retired school teachers find that life can be very boring after teaching school for many years, but Mrs. Fern Dempsey could be called Polo's "Grandmother Moses of the Corn Husk Doll," because she has found joy and satisfaction is making the dolls from corn husks.

This also give her a chance to communicate with other craftsmans and hobbyists and does not leave her to much idle time.

She started her hobby about three years ago when she was asked to make fall decorations for a meeting of the Area Christian Women's Club. Not knowing how to make the dolls, and being a persevering ex-school teacher, she set about learning how they were made.

Since that time, her corn husk dolls have found new homes in Belgium, Canada, all over the United States and one was taken to Kathmandu, Nepal for a gift to a new bride and groom.

She explained that she assembles her dolls by putting cotton strips over cotton balls to form the head and chest. The bonnets and clothing are made of the dampened corn husk and hair is made of corn silk. Arms are of pipe cleaners and the blouse of the corn husk dress is crossed with bands of husks to give them an old-fashioned look. The corn husks are first soaked in a bleach solution that turns them orange before they become the homespun cream color. Other items in her displays are also handmade, such as the pies, cakes and pumpkins that are formed of a soda-starch dough and then painted.

Another satisfaction she receives from her corn husk hobby is the ability of making articles from the items found around her home or in the barn, such as toothpaste and spray can tops, thread cones, nails, straw from old brooms, little bits and pieces of wood, hay from the hay mow and seeds from the seed bins. Other items are found at nursing homes like the discarded medicine cups that she paints and makes into water buckets and boxes from the soda and starch that she converts to the many fireplaces for the groupings.

Her husband brought in a pick-up truck load of corn to dry for her to use the husks. He also does some of the carpentering of the wood work, when a picture frame or show box is needed. She prefers field corn husks to sweet corn husks, as they are larger and easier to work with, even though the corn husk dolls from Czechoslovakia are made with sweet corn husks.

Hair for her many doll figures is made from the silk from the ear of corn, which come in a variation of brown shades or she will use strands of yarn. The doll figures are made in all sizes from a three-inch doll to one about a foot tall and are made in a group of 50 at one time. All of her items are made ahead in a large number. Pictures and centerpieces take about an hour to assemble after she has grouped them all around her on her work table.

Some of the scenes are reminders of her childhood and some of them are ideas that she has dreamed up. The dolls' faces are painted on to suit the figure and sometimes she has to put on several heads to get the right facial expression. One time, she had to cut off four heads before she found the right expression.

She would like to advise anyone starting to make the corn husk dolls to use only rust-proof pins and to remove the corn husk from the corn cob when it is a little wet.

Grandma Moses "Dempsey" is a multi-talented lady. She is a very good painter in the medium of oils and acrylic, and her painted scenes on wood shingles grace many homes in northern Illinois. Her dough mushrooms of all sizes are the talk of many of the arts and craft shows where she exhibits.

One of the biggest satisfactions she derives from her hobby of creating these dolls is the chance she gets to talk to people from all walks of life and exchange ideas with them.

Politics, as well as weather, a farm factor



By ROBERT H. NELLIS

Farmers, who once planted crops with an eye on the sky wondering what the growing season weather was to be, now must also consider domestic politics and foreign policy issues as the plows turn over the soil and the planters move over the land depositing the seeds and the profit or loss of the crop year is then committed to the three uncertain factors.

Indications at this time are farmers will plant four per cent more corn this year and seven per cent less soybeans.

As decisions are made about this crop year, farmers must be somewhat gun shy when they recall the government-imposed embargo against grain shipments to Russia and to Poland.

Earl Butz, secretary of agriculture, said then and still maintains the action was prompted because then the corn crop estimates showed a shorter yield than in 1974 and if this came to be true, the U.S.-held grain reserves would drop to a too low level.

The 1975 corn crop turned out to be a record yield.

The other factor, which makes the Ford administration's explanation somewhat questionable, is the longshoremen's refusal to load grain on ships bound for Russie because they contended the continued export of grain would raise domestic food prices. George Meany president, AFL-CIO, backed up the longshoremen and Russia-bound grain ships remained unloaded for one month.

Ford spokesmen blasted Meany but the President imposed a moratorium on grain sales to Russia and Poland which lasted longer than the longshoremen's cessation of loading grain vessels bound for the Soviet Union.

Butz maintains farmers, lost nothing because of the grain export moratorium.

However, presidential challenger, Ronald Reagan, has charged because the USSR and Poland found other sources of grain during the cessation of shipping them grain and because of price declines, U.S. farmers lost $2.2 million as a result of the interruption of exportation of grain.

How deeply domestic politics are involved in the shipment of grain to Communist Russia can be realized by considering the Soviet Union ranks 14th among the 15 leading largest markets for U.S. farm products.

For all the attention Russian grain exports get from the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the headlines the activity has gotten in the daily press one can perceive it is related to the East-West division of the world of which the U.S. and the USSR are leaders of each bloc. Secondly from the fact trading with communists can be emotionally explosive issue.

When a conservative with such a consistent track record as Reagan calling for unfettered grain exports to Russia, " so long as they can pay for it," it appears the Ford administration may have overplayed the political value of fastening on the Communist nation to interfer with the free world trade of grain.

In fairness to the Ford administration decision it should be noted Russian grain production is quite unstable because of weather conditions there. Only one per cent of cultivated land in the Soviet Union receives as much as 28 inches of rainfall per year, while in the U.S., 60 per cent of crop land gets that much precipitation. More than half of the arable land in Russia is in regions where the mediam temperatures is 40 degrees. That's about the temperature of northern Minnesota.

Two foreign affair issues loom which may tempt politicans to use the U.S. farm exports as bargaining lever to get agreement the nation may want.

Half the grain which moves in world trade comes from the United States. This country exports 60 per cent of its wheat production; 50 per cent of rice grown; 50 per cent of the soybean yield; 35 per cent of sorghum harvested, and 25 per cent of corn picked.

When it comes to agricultural production there is only one United States. No other country in the world comes close to this nation's production of food stuffs.

There is not one of the myriad of persons seeking the nomination to run for President who will say he would use U.S. food exports to barter for concessions to get the 12,000 Cuban-Soviet-financed troops out of Angola and to lessen the U.S. dependence on oil imported from the Oil Producing Exporting Countries (OPEC(.

The Cubans in Angola, which on March 21 columnist James J. Kilpatrick called "a rouge elephant," are a potential threat to other nations in Africa some of which are friends of the U.S.

They are mercenaries which most probably will be used should civil war break out in Rhodesia which is considered likely.

In any case, the U.S. would rather see the Cubans back in Cuba but on March 21, Sen. Dick Clark, D-Iowa, chairman of the Subcommittee on Africa, vehemently rejected the idea to stop grain sales to Russia if that country did not order the Cubans to get out of Angola.

President Ford, recently commenting on the U.S. dependence on oil imports, said when the Arab oil boycott was imposed in 1973, the country was importing 33 per cent of oil consumed and that last year the percentage had risen to 40.

Again from all the attention given to the Middle East oil production, few realize Russia is the world's largest single nation oil producer with about 9.5 million barrels per day. Of this 2.3 million barrels is exported.

While the Russians export more than 25 per cent of their oil production, the U.S. gets only about nine per cent of this fuel, but this nation exports to Russia about 50 per cent of Soviet Union's imported foodstuffs.

With this nation supplying the USSR with half of its grain needs, it is tempting to consider the U.S. could barter for Russian oil on a better basis than paying the price arbitrarily set by the OPEC sellers.

The U.S. has nothing but money the Arabas want, and thus is not in a very good bargaining position.

On the other hand, it is obvious the Soviet Union would be hard put to find another trading partner which could so adequately supply that nation's need for grain, so it follows the U.S. ought to be able to bargain with them for a fair price for oil.

Before the primary election, this question was put to Sec. Butz by The Telegraph and he responded, "We buy our oil on the world market and get it at the cheapest price we can."

Pushed on the question, he replied, "I would rather depend on the Arabs than on the Russians."

Butz did reveal at that time a Russian delegation was in Washington negotiating on a trade off of oil for food.

It has since been reported the Soviets went home without any agreement being reached.

Any suggestion of using agricultural exports as a barter to obtain foregn policy concession from some other country sends shivers of insecurity up the spines of farmers.

Since the government lifted most controls on agriculture and dropped subsidies on most agricultural products in 1970, the nation's farmers have been encouraged to raise all they could to supply food markets which have opened up since the celebrated sale of grain to Russia in 1972.

Booming agriculture exports which are predicted to be 45 metric tons this year which is 10 million more than in 1975 and 25 million more than sent from our shores in 1971, is a major factor which has given the U.S. a gain in the balance of trade.

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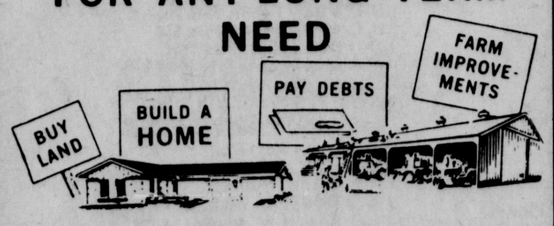
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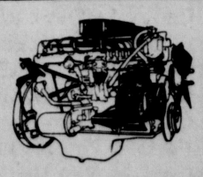
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Bonnie Greskiwcz preps the metal finish of this Mendota Co-op truck for sanding of the finish prior to a new coat of white paint. While other girls in Bonnie's COE class are either sales clerks or do secretarial work, Bonnie can be found at Farmers Fab sanding a car or trucks in readiness for a new coat of paint. (Telegraph Photo)

Compton gains small business, a 'jack-of-all-trades' shop

By SHIRLEY FURAR

COMPTON— The small businessman is making an exit in many of the smaller communities, but this is not holding true in Compton. The village of 400 has an added business in its community this year. The business enterprise has been named "Farmers Fab," and boasts of doing just about any kind of repair work for the farmer or the city dweller. The new business is in operation at the "Roller Rink" building, as it has always been called since it was built in 1956 by Sam Stauth who operated a roller rink on the premises. The roller rink eventually closed and later Stauth manufactured wagon running gears, calling his business the Compton Tool and Die Co. until it closed and moved to Rochelle in 1974.

"Farmer's Fab" utilizes teamwork for the number of employes that are jacks-of-all-trades. The operation is run by Elmer Ganz, Dennis Barrett and Larry (Mick) Hartley, all from Compton, Women's Lib is even playing a part in the operation; a Mendota High School senior, Bonnie Greskiwcz, is doing her part as a body and fender girl, sanding cars and doing body work to prepare a car or truck for a new coat of paint. Bonnie is enrolled in the COE program at the high school and is taking her work-training program at "Farmers Fab."

When anyone enters the door at this new enterprise, they can expect just about anything to be parked in the stalls ready for some sort of repair or paint job. "Farmers Fab" doesn't hesitate to take on anything from antique cars, semis, farm trucks or maybe a John Deere tractor. The stalls contain a little bit of a variety, including a 1957 Chevy owned by Douglas Mathesius, who has an appointment to have the popular model painted red, white and blue to celebrate the country's Bicentennial in Compton at the June Homecoming.

Frank Furar's winter project was all done here, restoring a 1925 Model "T" Ford, which was just recently completed. Everything was done from assembling, painting, upholstering, plus adding the finishing touches for a pleasure ride this summer. Classic cars can also be painted at the paint stall. Furar also painted his 1955 Thunderbird this winter. Another car owned by Furar is now in the process of being restored: a 1928 Model "A" open touring car. The restoration project goes on nightly at the garage, as very seldom do the lights go out early, because they either are working on their own equipment or helping someone in an emergency. Furar says that his Model A will later be sold as he already has two open touring cars (another being a 1929 Model A Ford) and considers them enough for parades and a summertime hobby.

Elmer Ganz, who originated the business, does most of the welding and the light semi work. He can be seen traveling the countryside from Rollo to Amboy and back again to Rochelle and to the Mendota area, stopping at farms to do repair work such as welding the farmer's machinery with his portable welding equipment. Ganz can help in any situation, for example, a semi driver lost his trailer's rear tandem wheels at the Four Corners of U.S. 51 and 30, recently, and Ganz was on the job to get the driver back on the road. Ganz is a farmer himself and also drives a semi that hauls bulk milk for a Wisconsin corporation. When he is not hauling milk or farming his 240-acre farm with his sons, he can be caught at the garage making the rounds and checking the upcoming scheduling.

The other co-owners of "Farmers Fab" are Dennis Barrett, an iron-worker, who does most of the automotive repair work in the garage, and Larry (Mick) Hartley. Hartley is employed at Ziebart at Peru and specializes in car and truck painting. He completes the painting once the body work has been done, and the car or truck has been prepared to make it look new again.

For their expansion program at the garage this year, the owners hope to make a parking lot and a drive-in door on the west side of the building. Also, a drive-up ramp is to be installed so they will have easier access for working on all the cars and trucks that will be brought in.



Canadian Ron Drudger of Manitoba was en route to Chicago for a load of steel, driving a trailer truck. In making a stop at the truck weigh station at U.S. 30 and 51 the Interstate Commerce Commission discovered that his trailer was 60 feet long, which is illegal in Illinois. The Illinois State law is that the trailer is not to exceed 55 feet. After inquiring where he could have the back five-foot section taken off, an appointment was made with Ganz. The project was started at 8 a.m. and was finished at noon Thursday. The photo shows Ganz welding the tail-light section back on where the trailer was cut. (Telegraph Photo)



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Gary Bemann, a junior, works with an orchid plant, only one of the many plants in the greenhouse of Rochelle Township High School. Gary intends to follow a career in horticulture. Ten per cent of the students who have been in the school's horticulture program have gone on to college programs in agriculture or horticulture. (Telegraph Photo)



Students tour the greenhouse at a recent open house. The greenhouse is in its fourth year of operation. This year, 60 students are enrolled in the horticulture class. The next major activity is a lily display on April 14. (Telegraph Photo)

High School greenhouse

By BURDETTE RENICH

ROCHELLE — Horticultural students of Rochelle Township High School are busily preparing for their Spring Sale of vegetable and flowering plants for the "city farmer."

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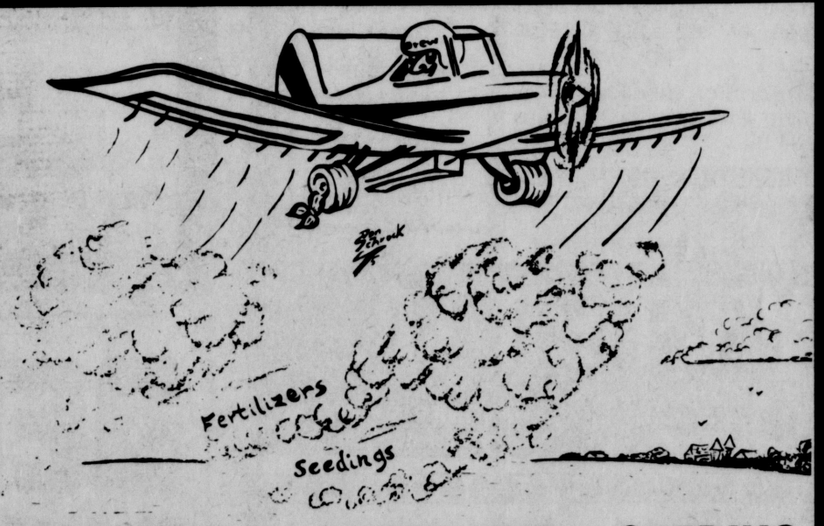
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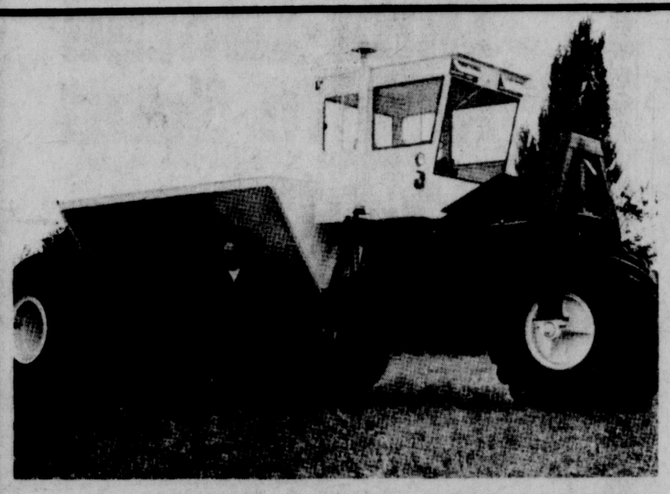
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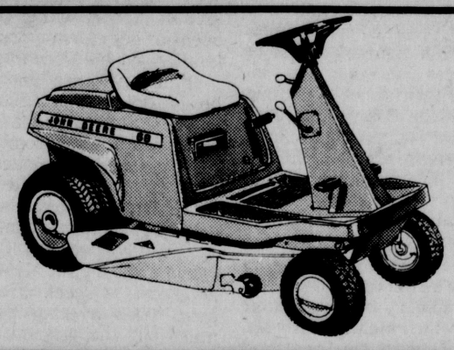
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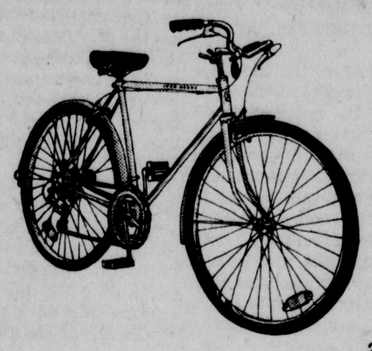
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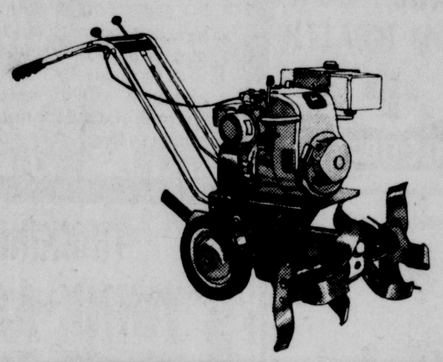
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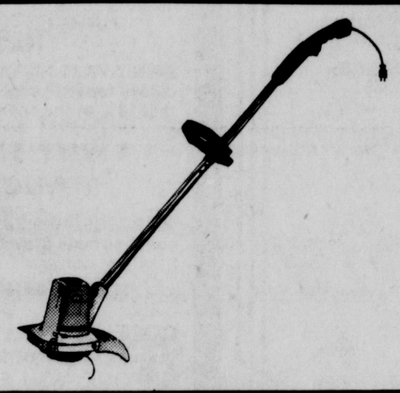
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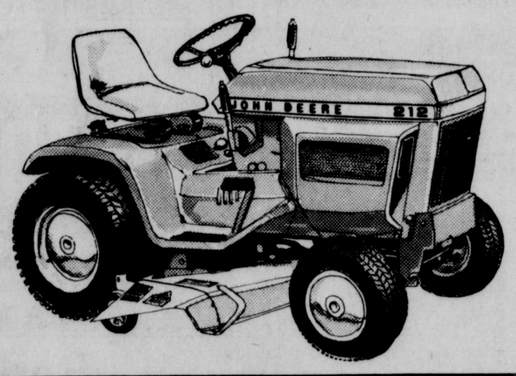


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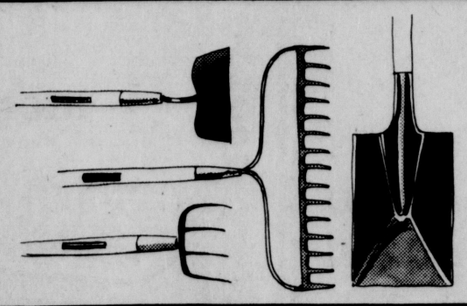
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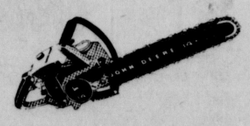
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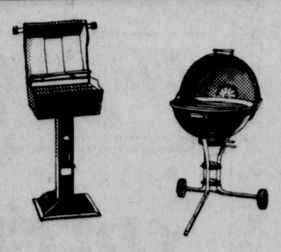
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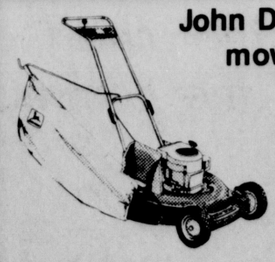
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Another deficit caused by lag in farm exports

WASHINGTON (AP) — A decline in U.S. agricultural exports helped trigger the second consecutive monthly deficit in the nation's foreign trade accounts during February, the government reported today.

The Commerce Department said the United States imported $140.8 million more than it exported in February. That compared with a $72.6 million deficit in January and marked the first monthly back-to-back deficits in just over a year.

Imports exceeded exports by a combined total of $656.8 million in December 1974, and January 1975. The nation then registered 11 consecutive monthly trade surpluses before this January's deficit.

The monthly surpluses, which produced a surplus of $11.05 billion for all of 1975, were expected to shrink gradually this year due to the interplay of the U.S. economy with its trading partners.

But the two monthly deficits represented an erosion more sudden and dramatic than most analysts had expected.

Over-all, imports fell by 2.6 per cent in February, marking the first decline since October. Exports, however, plunged even more sharply — 3.3 per cent — for their third consecutive monthly decline.

The major export categories registering declines during the month were wheat, down by $91.1 million to $302.2 million; soybeans, off $79.2 million to $743.5 million; raw tobacco, down $52.1 million to $105.2 million, and coal down $39.3 million to $186.4 million.

The February deficit was registered despite a 19.3 per cent drop in the volume of petroleum and petroleum product imports, which have been a crucial factor in the nation's trade balance over the last two years.

The American Petroleum Institute had reported mounting petroleum imports during the month but these apparently were not recorded in the Commerce trade figures because of differences between the institute's method of collecting data and the Custom Bureau's system for registering imports.

The general expectation this year is for mounting oil imports as the U.S. recovery stokes demand for energy.

Commerce said the only major trade category showing an increase on the export side was the machinery and transport sector, which includes aircraft, motor vehicles, electrical and agricultural machinery. That sector climbed $82.1 million to $3.9 billion.

The softening of the market for U.S. exports was an indication that the economies of U.S. trading partners generally have not recovered strongly enough from the recent worldwide recession to spur demand for American goods. On the other hand, the strength of the U.S. economy has been expected to increase demand for the raw materials and consumer goods which constitute the bulk of U.S. imports.

Illinois tornado season is here

URBANA—The tornado season is here.

Sixty-five per cent of the tornadoes which hit Illinois come in March, April, May and June, according to Stanley A. Changnon Jr., head of the Atmospheric Sciences Section in the Illinois State Water Survey.

Records of the survey, located at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, show that an average of 10 tornadoes hit the state each year, and that the major tornado week is April 15-21.

While 20 per cent of Illinois tornadoes have occurred in April, and more in the four spring months than any other time, there also have been periods of heavy tornado activity in September and late December.

Illinois ranks eighth nationally in the number of tornadoes since detailed records were begun in 1916, but ranks first nationally in tornadoe deaths and second in damage totals.

Tornadoes have touched every county of the state, but the greatest frequency is along a corridor northeast from St. Louis to Chicago, and about three counties wide.

Sixty-five per cent of the storms occur between 2 and 8 p.m. Most—80 per cent—move northeast, at speeds from 4 to 67 miles per hour. Their average path is just under 14 miles long, though some extend more than 100 miles.

The funnel is a common tornado form, but not the only one, Changnon said. Some tornadoes look like ropes which dance and flutter.

Some can be seen moving in the clouds but not at ground level, where they may be creating havoc but are not visible initially because they are not picking up dirt and other visible debris.

One of the most deadly tornadoes on record looked like a dark, menacing thunderstorm, low to the ground, he said. This giant tornado of March 18, 1925, swept a 220-mile path from Missouri across Illinois into Indiana, killing 695 persons, injuring 2,000 and causing $16.5 million damage.

Changnon classifies tornadoes into three types:

—Small, with diameters in terms of yards and ground paths of one to two miles. These often look like "dancing ropes."

—Medium sized, with diameters of 100 to 300 yards and a path of 5 to 15 miles. These often appear as the funnels most people recognize as tornadoes.

—Large, with diameters of ½ to 1½ miles and a path of up to 150 miles or more. Because they are so large, they seldom appear to have a funnel.

While these last account for only one per cent of all tornadoes, they are the cause of 20 per cent of tornado damage in the U.S.

Most tornadoes, Changnon said, are connected to the southwest corner of a thunderstorm cloud which often is moving from southwest to northeast. The thunderstorm may already have passed over or moved to the north of a site before the tornado hits.

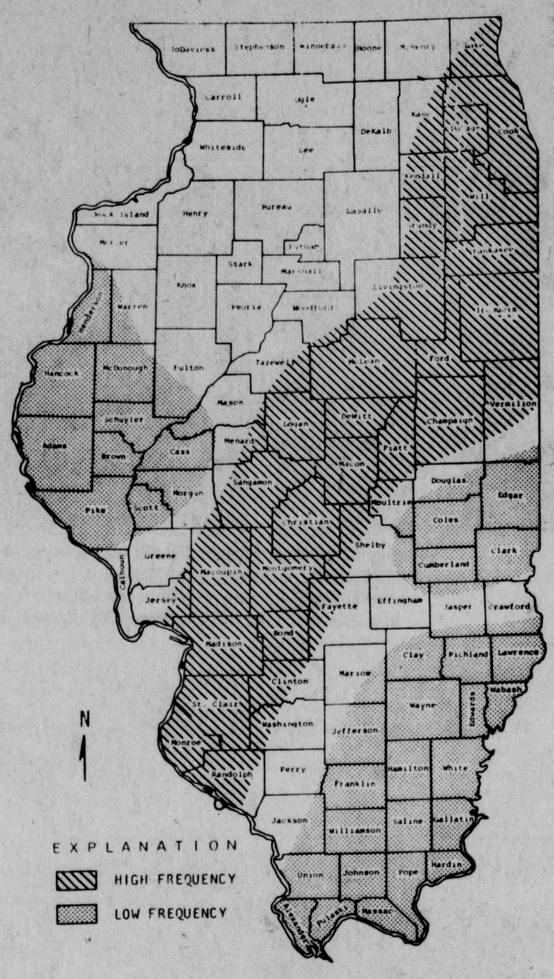
While radar and other storm detection devices watch for tornadoes, and radio and television warnings are sent out immediately, increased population density in some areas could result in severe losses comparable to those in 1925 if such a storm should occur again, Changnon said.

He said the safest place to go during a tornado warning is inside an underground storm cellar or studily constructed building, and gave seven tornado survival suggestions:

1. Stay away from windows.
2. Open several windows to help equalize pressure between the partial vacuum of the tornado and the inside of the building.
3. Avoid rooms with large edge-supported roofs, such as gymnasiums and auditoriums, and stay in an interior hallway on a lower floor.
4. In a home, move to the center of the basement or a lower floor, and stay away from outside walls. (Contrary to past beliefs, debris collects near all outside walls if a house should collapse. The center remains freer of such material.)
5. Get under a heavy piece of furniture, such as a table or a workbench.
6. Avoid mobile homes because they are easily tipped over by tornadoes. Seek other shelter if possible.
7. If no buildings are available, move at right angles away from the tornado's path. If it becomes evident that escape is not possible, lie face down in a ditch or ravine.

Changnon said that anyone sighting a severe thunderstorm or tornado should report it immediately to the nearest National Weather Service office or law enforcement agency. Collect telephone calls are authorized if the operator is told the situation is an emergency.

"Report your name and address; the location of the storm in relation to highways, roads or streets or other well-known landmarks or structures; the type of storm, as tornado or funnel cloud, heavy hail, destructive wind or severe lightning, and the approximate speed and direction of the storm's movement and its intensity," he said.



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Corn is the key to Ashton farming

By MARIETTA KENSLEY

ASHTON — When he was losing $150 per head on the "down" beef market in 1974, cattle feeder Stan Lawson looked for a solution. It came when friends from a Northern Chicago suburb bought a side of beef from him.

Lawson said to his wife, Angela, "why not go for the "no Middleman" procedure a deal-direct with the farmer approach of selling meat to the city folks?" So with his wife's aid, they started a huge advertising campaign, by radio, newspapers, phone book yellow pages, aiming at the higher income families of the Chicago Rockford areas.



Stan Lawson stands with just a few of his 1,200 head of cattle in his large confinement shed. He sells beef directly to the consumer, and is currently selling 30 head each week, primarily to people from the Chicago and Rockford areas. (Telegraph Photo)

The Lawsons worked out a plan with a state-inspected custom slaughterhouse, and then Angela spent several days there studying the art of meat cutting (beef) in order to help customers with their meat-cutting instructions.

Today the Lawsons encourage the customers and prospects to visit their family farm and pick out their own corn-fed animal for slaughter. When Stan says "corn-fed" he really means it! He grows 12,000 acres of corn which includes 6,000 tons of sillage which is put up in an around-the-clock operation in the fall. His huge silos hold 120,000 bushels of shelled corn. He has two full-time men employed year round and hires from 12 to 14 more during silo filling.

A surprising number of visitors will drive 85 miles and back just to see a farm and take a look for themselves. Many like the idea of being able to look around on their own without any high pressure. Their main interest is the 400-foot-long confinement barn, that contains the cattle.

The farm is closed to visitors during the winter months on weekends but meat may be picked up on Saturdays until 1 p.m. Ninety-nine persons out of 100 who scrutinize the cattle will wind up by saying, "I wouldn't know which one to select, so we will leave it up to you." Lawson will have at least 1,200 head on feed in various stages of finishing. He sells to at least 150 cities or towns.

To help the buyers in their meat preparation and cooking, Angela hands each customer literature from the Beef Industry Council, such as "Beef Outdoors," "A Steer's Not All Steaks," and "Savor the Seasons With Beef."

An attractive logo has played a large part to make people aware of the beautiful S. A. Lawson Farms' meat purchasing plan. To convey the idea of "corn-fed" beef, a distinctive-looking beef animal looms in the foreground with stalks of corn forming a background.

The cattleman specializes in his own grades of "young and tender" and aged "gourmet" beef, sold custom cut, wrapped and frozen on a money-back guarantee.

Lawson's principle customers are people owning freezers. Due to Lawson's selling methods, many freezers have been sold. Customers say they buy from him because he has cheaper prices and high-quality meat.

He maintains that his business is growing by leaps and bounds. While now he is selling 30 head or more per month (360 per year), expansion is in the wind. Lawson's goal by 1977 is to market 40 head a week so there is only one way and that is "up."

Another Ashton farmer is Bob Sword, a young 44-year old man, who has been farming in Ashton for the past 20 years. He is strictly a grain farmer. In about 1955, he started on a cash-rent basis, and later acquired land of his own, which amounts to about 700 to 800 acres. He was born in Ashton and still lives in the village with his mother. Two to three hundred acres of his land is used for raising soybeans, which are sold to elevators or often are sent directly to dealers who place them on a barge for direct export. Soybeans are rich in proteins; therefore the oil extracted from them is used for both human and animal foods.

With a good yield, he might harvest at least 110 to 140 bushels of corn per acre. He owns his own corn dryer and recently purchased a new building on Hicks Avenue off the highway for his office and to house his machinery and use for repairs. He painted the building red, white and blue.



Bob Sword, a grain farmer, has been framing in Ashton for 20 years. He recently purchased a new building (shown above) to use for his office and for storing machinery. He painted the building red, white and blue. (Telegraph Photo)

Sword may reap approximately 140,000 bushels in a good year. His silos hold 30,000 bushels of shelled corn.

Farming, according to Sword, has become very diversified: "Farmers are expanding and experimenting in many fields today, other than just in grain. People also must be made to realize the need of the farmer and no longer be taken for granted."

Floyd Bothe is another Ashton farmer. He started in 1935, raising cattle and other livestock. He would feed his cattle until they reached from 1,100 to 1,200 pounds before they would be shipped to a slaughterhouse.

In his early farming years, Bothe had milk cows. With the aid of one man, the cows were milked by hand, but later automation took over. His Grade-A milk was sold in Chicago. Now, starting in April or May of this year, he is to become a grain farmer.

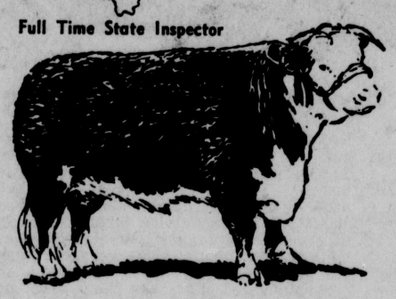
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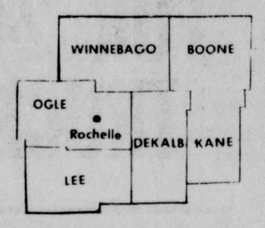
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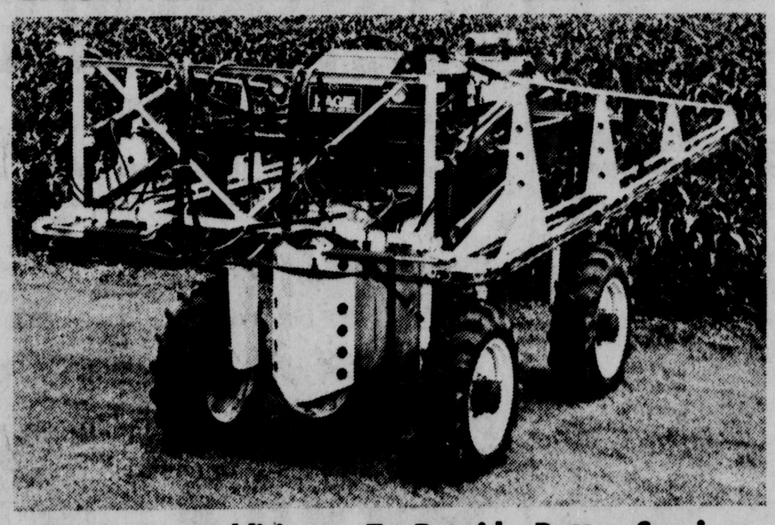
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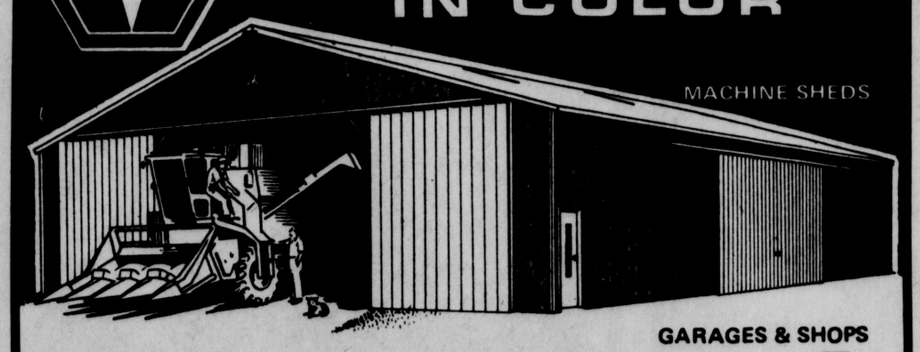
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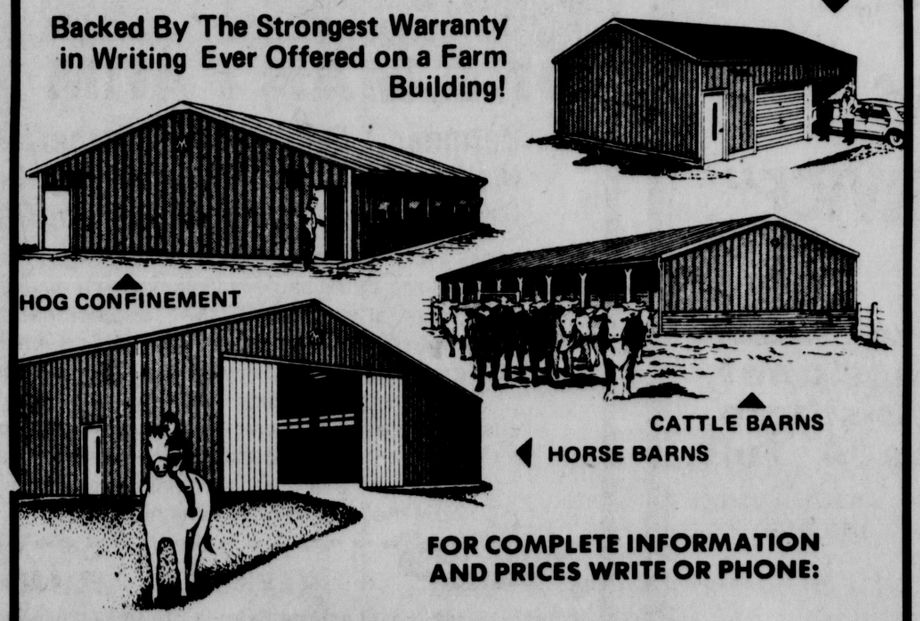
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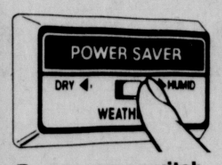
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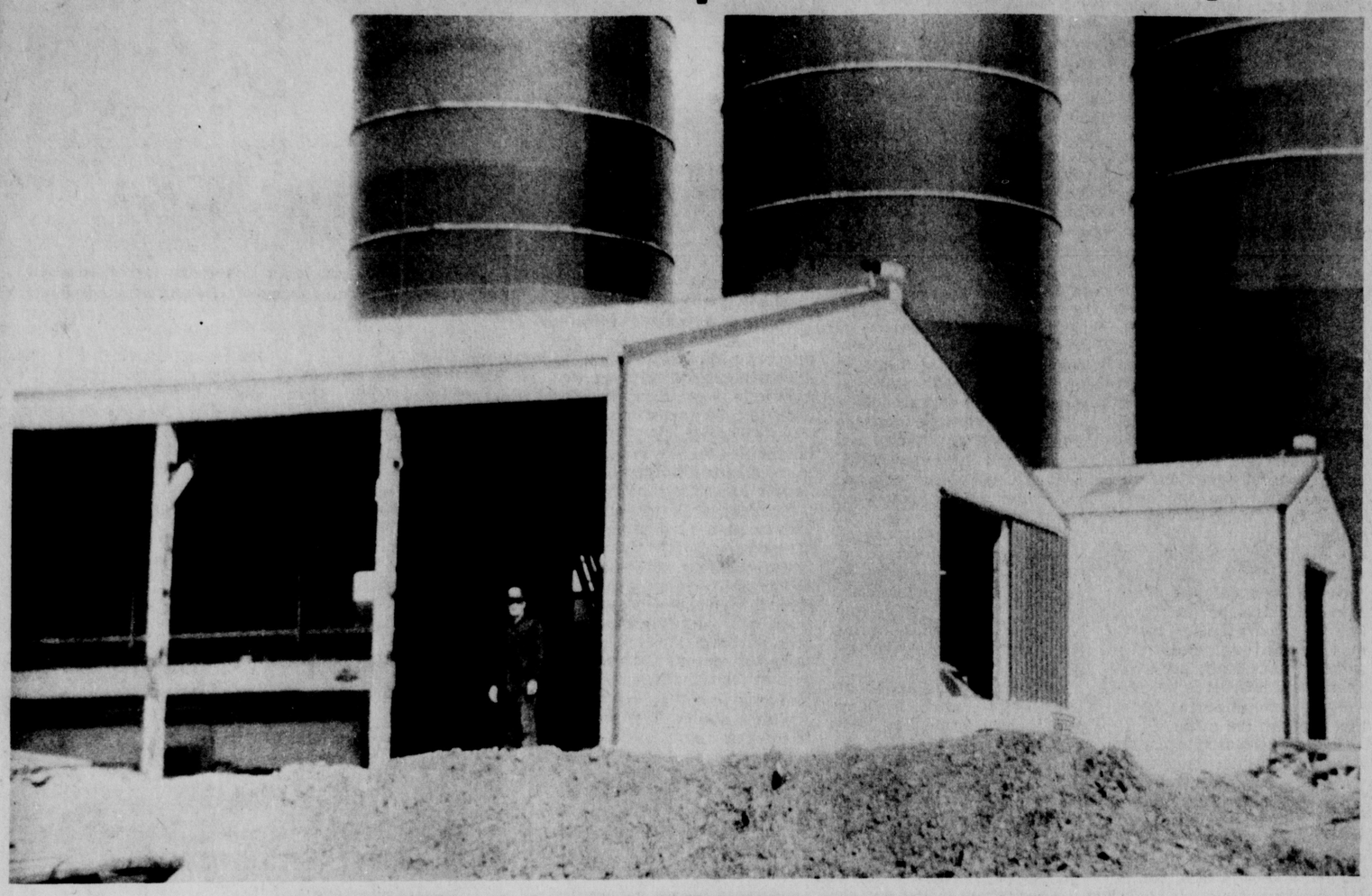
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Massive farm production by Oregon area family



The new cattle building under construction on the Merle Snodgrass farm where massive production of cattle and hogs is their farming endeavor. This building will house 600 cows when completed. Snodgrass is standing at the corner of the building. (Telegraph Photo)

By MRS. JOHN HUGHES

OREGON— Massive farm production is most interesting.

Merle Snodgrass, his son, Marvin, and of course, his wife, Anna May, operate a hog and cattle feeding farm. There is a large confinement building with pens that will accommodate about 30 large hogs ready for market or as many as 50 two-month-old pigs. There are about 600 head of swine housed in the building.

The Snodgrass family lives on the farm where his grandfather built the house. It is northwest of Oregon. The Snodgrasses started farming after their marriage in 1942 with four horses, a small tractor and 12 milk cows. In 1948 they purchased 160 acres of land and in 1958 purchased another 120 acres north of the first acres purchased, and where they now reside. In 1969 they remodeled the barn whre the present farrowing house now stands, and in 1970 it burned to the ground. It was rebuilt the same winter and now has 24 farrowing crates there.

During 1973, they built the present finishing building which is 198 feet long and 30 feet wide, with an 18-foot feed room on the east end. It has 20 pens, 9x26 feet, with 10 feet of slatted floor on the south side. The total cost of the building, including equipment and Harvestore, was approximately $67,000.

At the present time the Snodgrass family farms about 1,200 acres, 560 of which they own, the rest rented land.

They also have 150 Angus beef cattle from which they raise and feed out crossbred Charolais and Chianina calves. They are constructing at the present time a 600-head slotted floor, open front confinement building in which they intend to have their cattle housed in the very near future. The approximate cost of this building, equipment and storage facilities is $280,000.

There are five Harvestore storage sites on the farm which supply high quality and low quality roughage and high moisture corn for feeding a blended balance food which is entirely automatic.

Snodgrass has been a member of the Ogle County Farm Bureau for 37 years and attributes much of his success to the Ogle County Farm Bureau and the Cooperative Extension Services. His son, Marvin, spent two years at Highland Junior College, then transferred to Kansas State University, where he received his B.S. in business administration. He has been a very important asset to the farming operations the past several years. Brad Larson, Mt. Morris, also a college graduate, is a full-time employe of the Snodgrass family in their farm operations.



TAKES OATH— Former Pennsylvania Governor William W. Scranton is sworn in as U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations at the White House. (AP Wirephoto)

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46 Years Experience!!

Castle Rock State Park, nine years in the making, will partially open to the public this summer

By BILL SHAW

After nine years of planning, land acquisition and construction, Castle Rock State Park will be partially open to the public this summer. At least that is what Conservation officials, involved with the project hope.

The Department of Conservation (DOC) purchased the first parcel of land at the site in April, 1967. Today 1,250 acres of land are under DOC control and plans to buy an additional 710 acres are made. The first sections of land were purchased by the Natural Land Institute, Rockford, on behalf of DOC.

White Pines State Park site superintendents have been responsible for the development of land at the Castle Rock site. Charles Ballard and Al Steele have been instrumental in setting up the park.

On March 15 of this year Jerry Beverlin moved to the park to become Castle Rock State Park's first site supeintendent. Prior to his arrival Beverlin worked five years in setting up Sam Parr State Park near Newton.

As site superintendent, Beverlin becomes responsible for park improvements, appropriating and maintaining equipment and grounds and patrolling the park. His work will be required this summer as the first section of the park, a picnic area, is scheduled to open.

"The picnic area is one of two planned in the development area of the park," Beverlin reports. "A road has been constructed and rest rooms erected and a well has been dug." Although a road leading into the development area, which is located on the north side of the state park, will need a few more layers of gravel before considered completed, the picnic site is starting to take shape. Picnic equipment including tables and cookery must be procured from Springfield before the area can be used. A second picnic spot, west of the first, is being developed.

Immediately south of the development area is a nature preserve. According to Beverlin, "the preserve is to be for the benefit of tourists and students." He explains that six miles of walking trails are planned to be built through the area.

Primiary interest among conservation officials is the unique plant life which is found in the preserve. In one valley alone 23 varieties of ferns have been counted. A shiny club moss, considered very rare, thrives in the preserve. The beautiful lady's slipper, a member of the orchid family is also a prize to be found there.

In opening the area to tourists and students, great care will be taken to insure that the area's natural environment will be maintained. Beverlin notes that the soil of the preserve is quite fragile, making development within the bounds of nature difficult.

Conservation officials plan to turn the area south of the nature preserve into a tent-camping area. This land is presently owned privately, but falls within a take line established by the state when the park was planned.

Another section, which the state is negociating for, but which remains under private ownership is the Castle Rock itself, for which the park was named. The rock, which is located immediately east of the nature preserve, commands an excellent view of the Rock River valley.

According to legends, native Indians would use the rock as a lookout to gain advance notice of approaching Indians. Because the rock juts into the air at a strategic bend in the river, a person standing atop it can view for miles both up and down stream.

Just north of Castle Rock, between Ill. 2 and the river, a fisherman's access area to the river is proposed. The site will include a boat ramp, a fish cleaning house, toilets and a parking area.

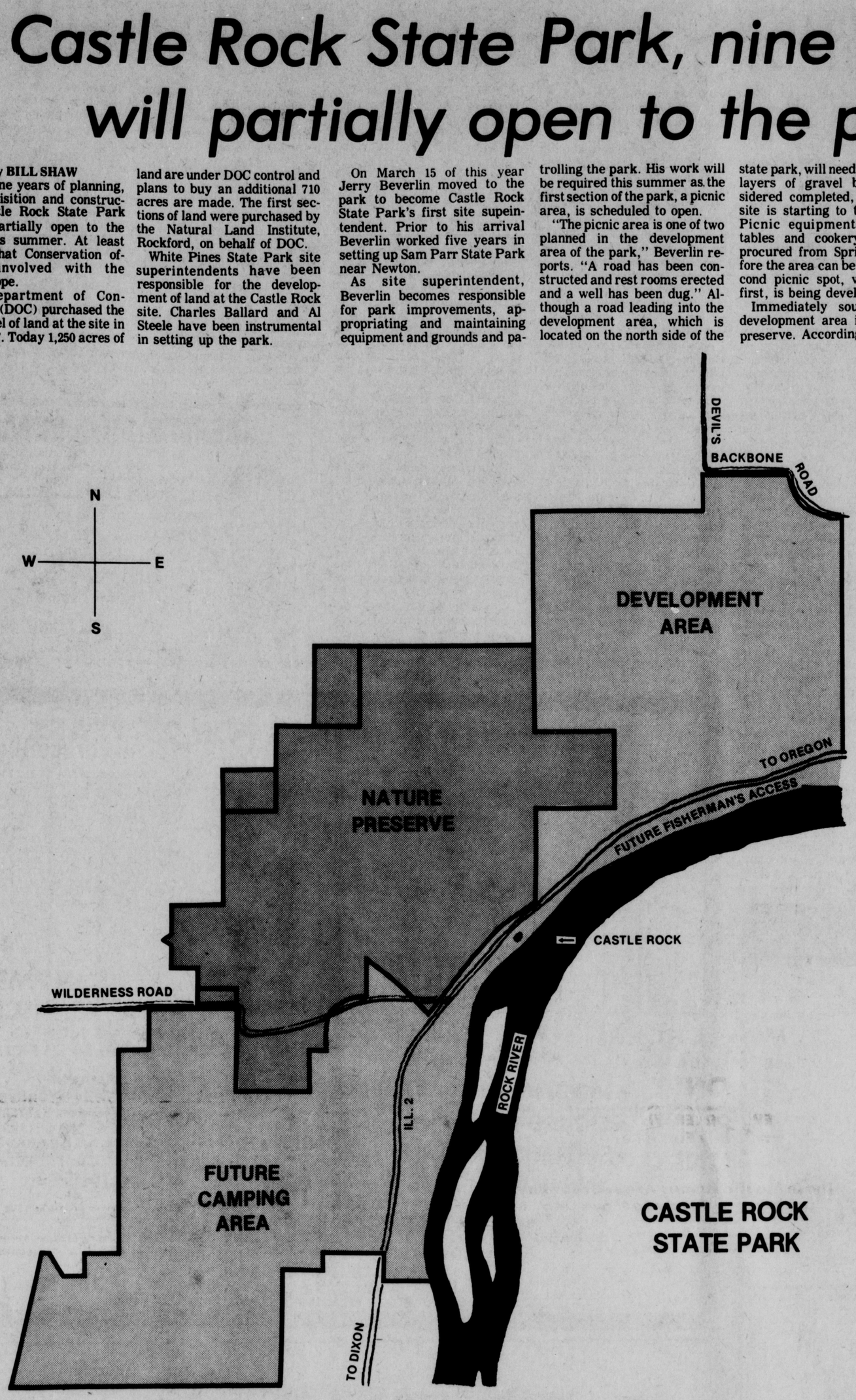
Although the park will open partially to the public this summer, most of the site remains in the planning stage. Its development is contingent upon the amount of money available from Springfield.

According to Bob Corrigan, a land acquisition worker for the Department of Conservation in Springfield, the land purchases could be completed in 1978 if enough money is appropriated. In question presently are appropriations for 1977 and 1978. Corrigan reported that appropriations for this year were less than expected.

Despite the contingency of future plans, area residents will be able to enjoy the new state park for the first time this summer. The opening of the picnic area, overlooking the beautiful Rock River valley, will signal the coming of an important recreation area in Northern Illinois.



Jerry Beverlin, new site superintendent, checks out a freshly dug well at the Castle Rock State Park picnic area scheduled to open this summer. The area is serviced by a gravel road and claims a scenic overlook of the Rock River Valley.



CASTLE ROCK STATE PARK

This map shows the planned layout of Castle Rock State Park. Located in Ogle County between Dixon and Oregon, the planned site contains over 1,900 acres. Picnic areas, nature trails, camping and sightseeing areas, plus fisherman's access areas, are proposed attractions of the park.

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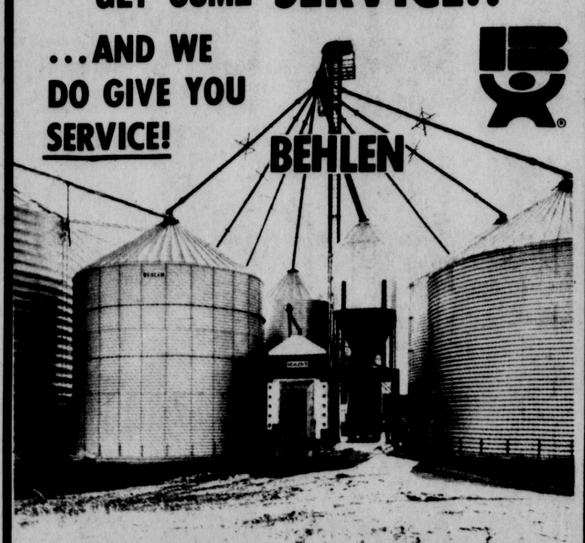
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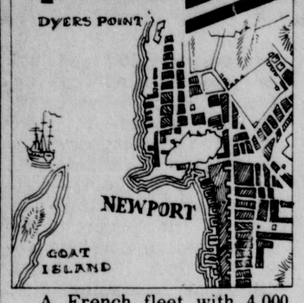


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By DON PAARLBERG

For many years the United States had little competition in the world soybean market. But Brazil has emerged as a formidable competitor, making inroads into our traditional European and Asian markets.

Production of soybeans in Brazil rose from 1.5 million metric tons in 1970 to 9.7 million last year, spurred by favorable prices. Their 1976 crop is projected at 11.3 million, an increase equivalent to about 60 million bushels. By 1985, Brazil is expected to be producing about one-fourth of the world's soybeans compared with 15 per cent in 1975. The U.S. proportion of world soybean production has declined from 73 per cent as recently as 1973 to two-thirds in 1975. By 1985, Brazil is expected to be producing about one-fourth of the world's soybeans while the U.S. share may fall to less than 60 per cent.

An important factor in the longer run projections may be the efficiency in the Brazilian production and distribution system. They are basically using U.S. production technology and their yields range between 23 and 26 bushels per acre, slightly below ours. It is difficult to determine how this translates into cost of production. Half of their soybean crop is double-cropped with wheat. In addition, each time Brazil devalues their currency their cost of production declines relative to other producing countries. Last year for example, Brazil had a currency devaluation of 20 per cent. Taking all of this into account it is estimated that production cost in Brazil is competitive with the U.S. However, their transportation and storage facilities are far less efficient than ours.

Domestic policies of the Brazilian government could also have a significant impact on our ability to compete. Their current support price is around $3.80. In addition they have a direct purchase program. Future adjustments could depend on their plans for domestic livestock production or trade policies.

Brazil exports more than four-fifths of its soybean crop, and all of the 1.6-million ton increase projected for 1976 will be for export. Most exports are in the form of soybeans or meal. Oil exports are controlled as domestic needs are expanding.

Since the Brazilians are working for a bigger share of the world soybean market, our soybeans must remain competitively priced. In the longer run the ultimate answer is to increase our soybean yields per acre — which have risen only slightly over the years — and thus reduce per bushel costs.

Meanwhile, tough competition from palm oil is being felt not only in the world fats and oils markets but also in our home market.

World palm oil production has been expanding rapidly, from 1.7 million metric tons in 1970 to 2.9 million last year. It is forecast at 3.2 million for 1976. Most of the growth has been in Malaysia, which accounts for about half of the world's increase.

Beyond 1976, continued sharp gains in output are projected. Much of the projected increase results from international loans by the World Bank to expand foreign palm oil output. The United States continues to underwrite varying percentages of these loans. The International Financial Assistance Program for palm oil is estimated to be boosting world exports in 1975 by more than 200,000 tons or nearly 12 per cent. By 1980 the international palm oil loan program is projected to add over 700,000 tons or nearly 22 per cent.

The major share of the expanded palm oil output is being moved into export markets in competition with other vegetable oil exports, rather than being used to increase domestic consumption in the producing countries.

Malaysia has increased its plantings enough during the last five years to double its present production by 1980. More than 90 per cent of the Maysian production goes into export markets so palm oil is expected to account for an increasing share of total world supplies and imports of edible vegetable oils.

European Common Market (EC) countries import and consume a major share of palm oil entering world trade. Thus, expanded world palm oil production will be added pressure for U.S. oil seeds and oil exports.

Palm oil coming to the United States has boosted the competition for domestically produced fats and oils, especially in shortening. Imports of 960 million pounds in calendar 1975 were more than twice those in 1974. Further increases are projected for 1976. The U.S. is the only major importer of palm oil with no duties or quotas.

Price is usually the main advantage of palm oil over soybean oil and other domestic food fats. However, this marketing year's slide in soybean oil prices will tend to hold down palm oil use. Palm oil prices (crude, U.S. ports) in mid-March were quoted at 17.5 cents per pound compared with 17 cents for soybean oil (crude, Decatur, Ill.) A year ago palm oil was 22 cents; soybean oil was 29 cents.

Now let us move from Asia to Europe. The EC has a large milk powder surplus because of increased production — stimulated by high prices — and falling consumption. So there is now a plan, set to take effect April 1, for the compulsory purchase in the EC of 400,000 metric tons of nonfat dry milk for use in animal feeds. This scheme would displace an equal amount of soybean meal imports to the EC (the protein fraction of some 15 million bushels of soybeans). There will be a deposit requirement on EC and imported oilseeds and other protein. However, the plan will not solve the milk powder surplus problem; their stocks will continue to build, in our opinion.

We thus can identify many problems for domestic producers in the short run, although prices for soybeans that farmers will be planting this spring should look pretty good compared with the past several months.

Moreover, our economists project expansion, not contraction, for U.S. soybean growers in the years ahead.

Production is projected to increase 20 per cent from 1975 to 1985, despite increased competition from Brazilian soybeans and rising palm oil imports. Exports, especially in the form of beans, are projected to increase also. Domestic food fats and oils consumption should increase with soybean oil maintaining its share of the total. During the next 10 years, demand for livestock and poultry products is expected to rise, boosting demand for soybean meal as a livestock and poultry feed.

Projections ahead such as these are subject to wide margins of error, but we are confident that the general indications of direction of change are correct. Any expressed optimism, however, right now is unwelcome by some of those whose voices, though few, are strident.

It has been said the soybean industry needs protection from foreign palm oil. The same industry which found few tariffs or quotas to restrict its overseas market expansion for oil and meal, now talks about restricting imports. With its exports of oil and meal the soybean industry forced adjustments overseas — to olive oil, rapeseed, sunflower, butterfat, wheat by-products, fish oil and other products. The competition of the American soybean was received, on the whole, with rather good grace by the established foreign industries it affected. There was some grumbling, but the trade barriers erected against the soybean were relatively few.

Secretary of Agriculture Earl Butz visited Brazil last summer and saw their soybean production. Instead of being alarmed or apprehensive, he said the potential market is big enough so that both countries can expand output, not at the expense of one another. He suggested that both countries might put aside their fears and use their energies in market building. This was wise counsel, coming from a man who understands the soybean industry and the market system that has permitted its development.

Soybean growers have a valid point in asking that competition be open, that rival foreign products not be subsidized by their own governments or by ours. That position is in accord with the competition stance the soybean industry has taken from the first.

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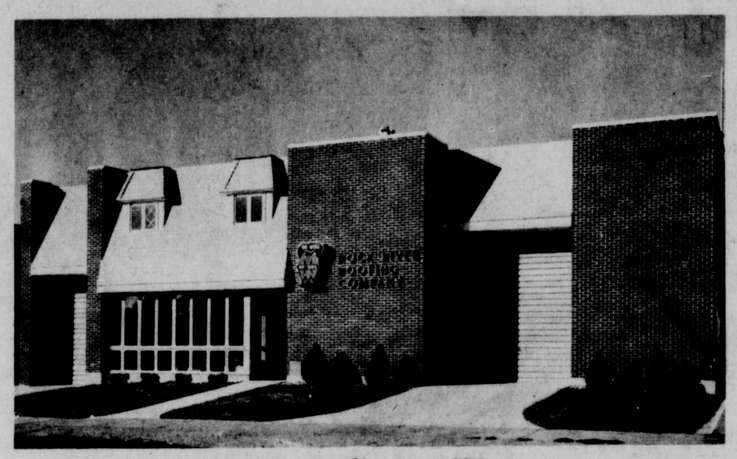


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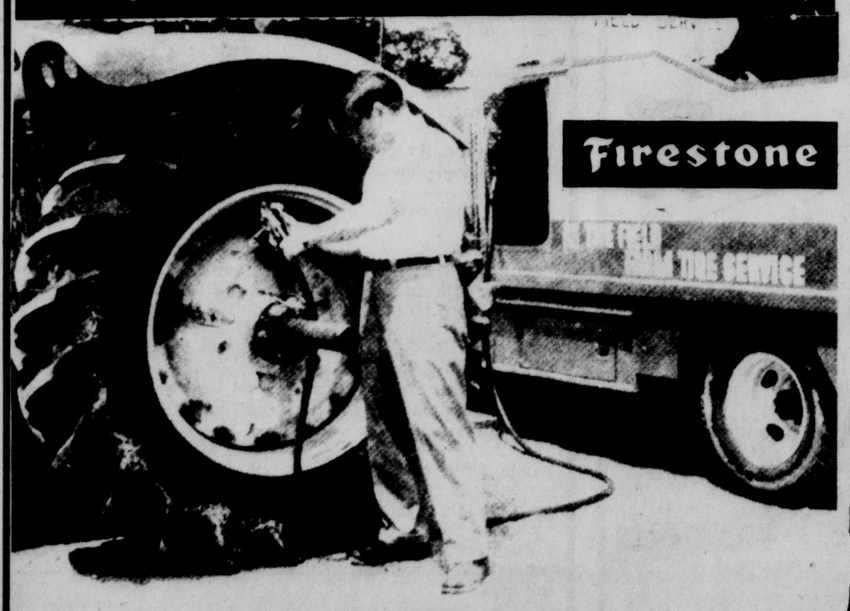
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Only engine remains from county railroad



By FRANCIS MACKINNON

AMBOY — The small locomotive with a snowplow attached, which stands on short-length of railroad track in the yard of the Lee FS Inc., elevator at Lee Center, may seem a bit incongruous as there are no tracks leading from it. How did it get there?

To long-time residents of the area it conjures up many memories of when there was passenger service four times a day and grain, lumber and other supplies were transported. Lee County Electric Railroad served the rich farm area from 1910 through the 1960's. It was one of the country's shortest railroad systems.

As early as 1900 some enterprising men realized the need for transportation in the area to link the farms with major railroads and markets. A corporation was formed in 1901 with the purpose of constructing a railway from Steward to Lee Center and then to Amboy and then to Dixon. But the project never got built due to lack of funds.

In 1910 the corpration was reorganized and plans for a railroad on a smaller scale were adopted. In July of that year a contract was let for the construction of the electric railway from Amboy through Binghampton, Lee Center, Aschenbrenner, Kersten and Midlebury in Bradford Township, a distance of some 12.11 miles.

The electric generating power station was built at Lee Center. Two large 18 x 6 foot boilers were installed for the power generating station. These had to be transported to the area by teams and wagons and unloaded by hand.

Ties for the roadbed were cut from the nearby woods and there was little grading done because the line was built across the flat prairie country. The ties were laid on the ground without any bedding or ballast to hold them. This later was to a cause many derailments and delays in the trains trying to run on schedule. Sometime passengers on the trolley had to alight and help get the car back on the track before the journey could continue.

Construction to Amboy was completed in December, 1910. The tracks were laid along the side of the road except for a short stretch in Binghampton and they were laid down the center of the road on Main Street in Amboy to the intersection of Mason Avenue.

In October, 1911, a contract was let for the extension of the system some seven miles northeast of Lee Center to Weishaar Corners.

It was announced that the company would give the most popular road crossings more definite names in order to identify and designate the stops on the line so that passengers would not get off at the wrong stops and freight would not be misdirected.

The stop at German Church was changed to Broadview, and the Eisenberg school stop to Bradford Center because it was located in the center of the township. The next stop formerly known as Krug, Baldwin and Vauer cross road was called Spring Creek, and Weishaar Corners was renamed Middlebury.

At Middlebury the railroad secured several acres of land and laid out a townsite. A depot, sie track and elevator were built in the hope of attracting permanent settlers. There were sidings built at at Binghampton which was the interchange point with the CB&Q Railroad, two sidings at Lee Center, one at the Aschenbrenner elevator, the Kersten Elevator and one at each of the two Middlebury elevators. The freight traffic from these elevators served as the main source of revenue.

The passenger service always did a big business during the Lee County Fair held each year in September at what is now Green River Park. Some persons recall the pleasure of taking the trolley to Lee Center on a Sunday afternoon to attend a ballgame or social affair. Passenger service was discontinued about 1916, when the company removed the tracks from the middle of Main Street and the city installed the brick paving. It was also about the same time that the operation was changed to steam locaomotives.

In 1924 the railroad was purchased by Abe Jeanblanc who owned the Lee Center Elevator. He made a number of improvements to the facility including buying a gasoline powered engine.

In 1926 records show 100 cars of grain, 75 carloads of livestock shipped out and 35 cars of coal and 35 cars of lumber received.

The portion of the line north of Lee Center became an increasing burden as costs of maintence increased. In 1930 when U.S. 30 was built, the company was faced with expense of building a crossing to meet the state requirements and the additional expense of track relocation, forced the railway to end all service beyond Lee Center. With the advent of large trucks the elevators east of Lee Center didn't miss the railroad too much.

In 1946, Jeanblanc sold the elevator and the railroad to the Lee County Grain Association (now the Lee FS Inc.). The company improved the track and used the line from Lee Center to the CB&Q switchover extensively until the new more modern grain storage elevator was built in Amboy in 1967. Following this the rails were sold and removed.

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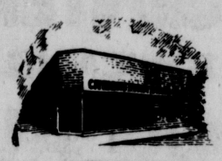
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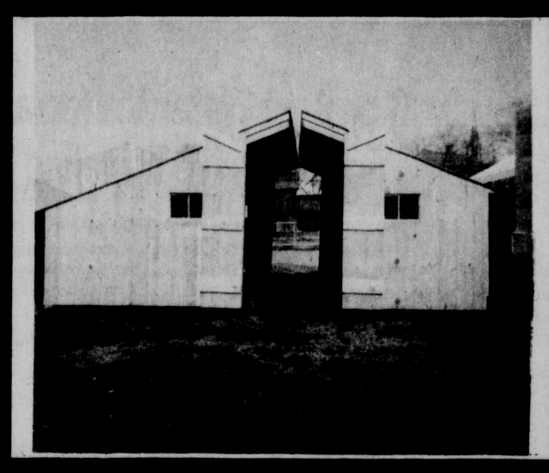
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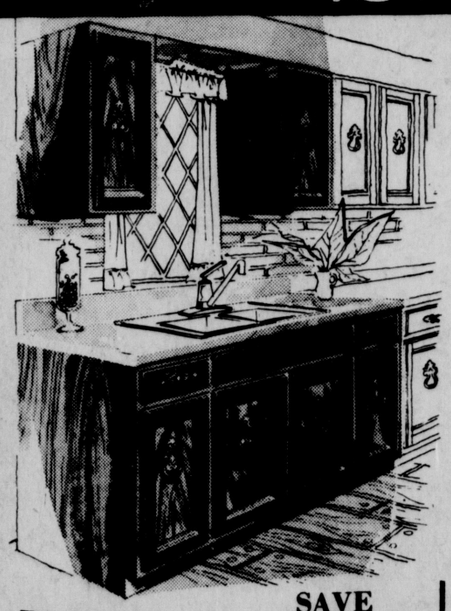


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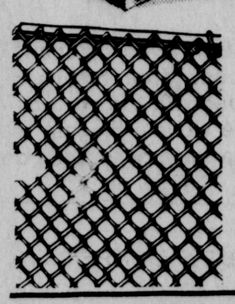
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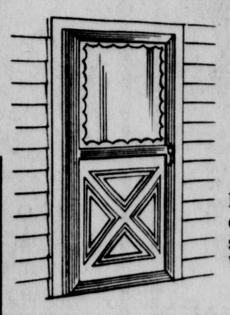
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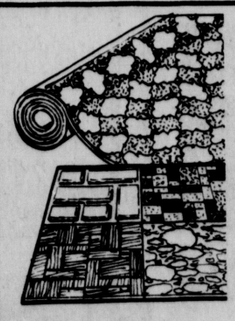
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'Bicentennial Broadsides' authored by Rochelle man

By BURDETTE RENICH

ROCHELLE — From pudding mixer-to author-to pudding mixer-are just a few of the phases in the life of Reuben Kruggel of Rochelle.

Kruggel, although presently working as a food processor at the Del Monte Corporation, is an ordained Lutheran minister, and until 1962 was minister of the First Lutheran Church of Lee. Well educated, he also loves to travel both in this country and abroad.

Reuben Kruggel was born in Lake Mills, Iowa and received his ministerial education at St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minn., at Northwestern Lutheran Seminary, St. Paul and at Concordia College in St. Louis, Mo. He has also attended Northern Illinois University where he has majored in history and German, taken a course in accounting and is looking forward to finding time to study engineering.

Always active, he enjoys playing both the organ and piano, as he says, "for my own amusement and other's amazement." He prefers writing poetry and it is through his love of poetry that his recently published book, "Bicentennial Broadsides," was born.

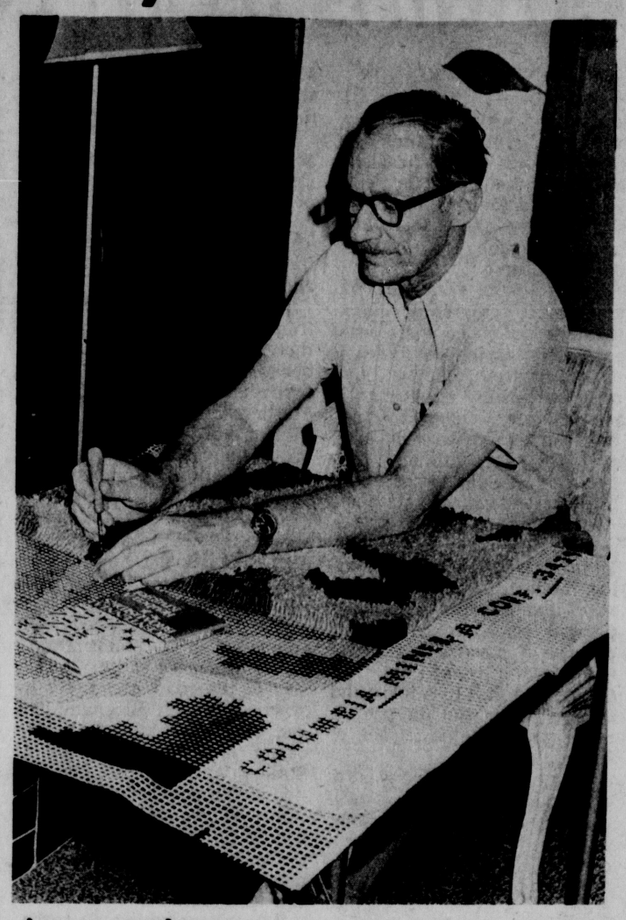
The idea of the book really started with the peom, "Bicentennial Ballad," which is 50 verses and 200 lines in length. Krugel writes of the beginning of our country and reviews in verse the past, the present, its times, its people, where we have been, and where we are going — the poem then became the heart of the book.

While this is not a review of the book itself, but rather a look at the author, Kruggel does catch the life of America with his writings, sometimes striking out at permissiveness, both in the home and in the schools; and sometimes talking about the "good old days," where mother played a strong role and father displayed a strong hand. Although he hits out at our inequities, he does point to our achievements with pride. The book, which is a salute to our historical heritage, is the first attempt by Kruggel as an author, although he did have a Centennial poem published in 1969.

Krugel is presently recovering from a broken foot received in a fall and is getting around well on a walking cast. A confirmed bachelor, he enjoys cooking and has several specialties he takes pride in making and as he says, "I like to eat." He enjoys stock car races and collects shoulder patches of his favorites. From his travels there is the cuckoo clock from the Black Forest in Germany, art from Mexico, and his pride and joy, a Westminster Chime clock.

As the Rev. Reuben Kruggel, he is perhaps one of the few persons who can say he attended his mother's wedding; in fact, after his father's death in 1951, he performed the marriage of his mother and her new husband in 1955 in the First Lutheran Church of Lee.

Life for Reuben Kruggel, minister, author, pudding mixer, poet, accountant and historian, should always be interesting. It will be only a matter of his finding time to do all the things he now enjoys, besides all the things he still hopes to do.



Ruben Kruggel hooks a rug for his mother, which he says she'll think is "too nice to use." He is the author of "Bicentennial Broadsides." (Telegraph Photo)

Pigs, humans can exchange flu virus

WASHINGTON (AP) — No one seems sure, but Agriculture Department scientists say pigs can probably catch the flu from humans as well as pass it on to them if everyone concerned is not careful.

Swine — that means hogs and pigs — have recently come in for notoriety with the identification of a deadly "swine flu strain" of virus, and the government announced plans Wednesday to vaccinate Americans against the disease.

The swine flu strain was blamed for 20 million deaths worldwide in a 1918 epidemic, including 500,000 Americans. The rare kind of flu, which now has cropped up again, reportedly was first identified or associated among swine and thus named after the barnyard animals.

Dr. J. M. Hejl, deputy administrator of USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, said pigs catch colds and flu the same as humans and that those ailments probably can be passed back and forth between people and pigs.

"I don't know, but if I can believe what I read, I think they are saying that people can be affected by a flu virus from swine," Hejl told a reporter. "If it goes one way (from hogs to people), I would think it could go the other way (from people to hogs), too."

Hejl said, however, that flu is not considered by USDA to be as a big threat to swine as hog cholera — which is not transmitted to humans — and that he was not aware of an effective vaccine to protect swine against the flu.

Hejl, a veterinarian with a background in biologics (including vaccine), said flu viruses in nature change so rapidly that it has been virtually impossible to develop an effective swine flu vaccine for swine. Further, he said it might be wrong to blame pigs for infecting humans with flu.

"It could just as well have been the other way," Hejl said. "Swine could have picked it up from people."

Pigs can get "the equivalent of a head cold" as well as the flu, Hejl said. However, he declined to comment when asked whether people and pigs ought to avoid each other when afflicted.

One USDA source said he neve. knew a veterinarian who told a pig to take two aspirin and go to bed and call back in two weeks.

Hejl said sometimes hogs with colds and flu develop pneumonia and that "like humans — then can be treated with antibiotics to cure that disease while there is no remedy for the common cold."

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Agriculture Department said Wednesday that net farm income last year was about $24 billion, the third-best year for profits on record.

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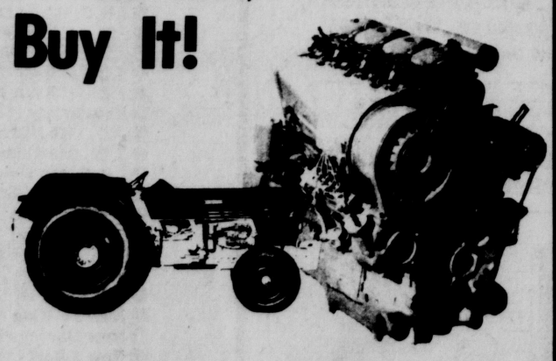
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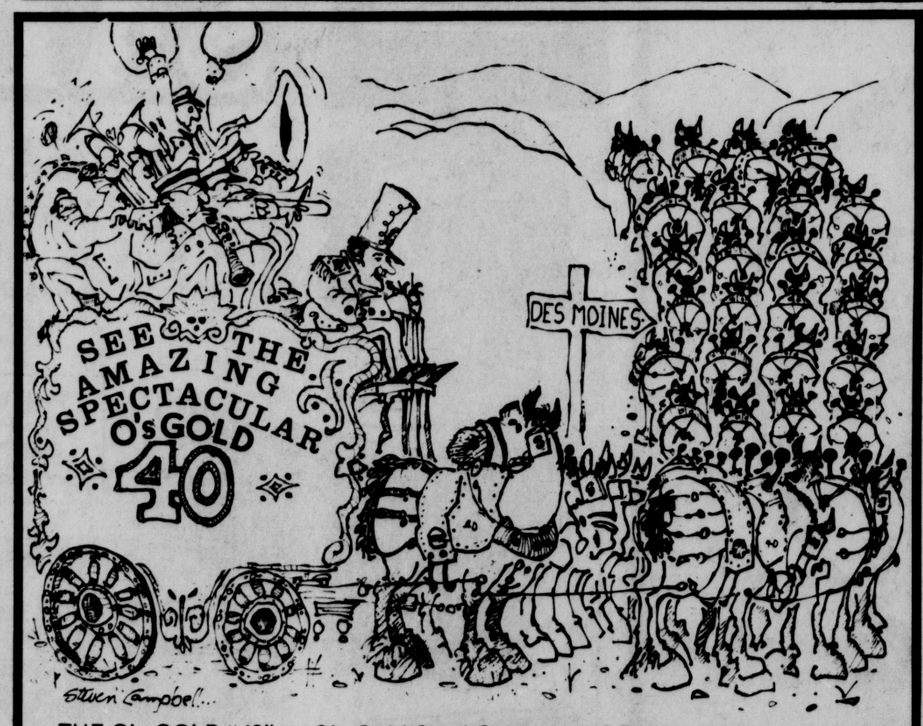
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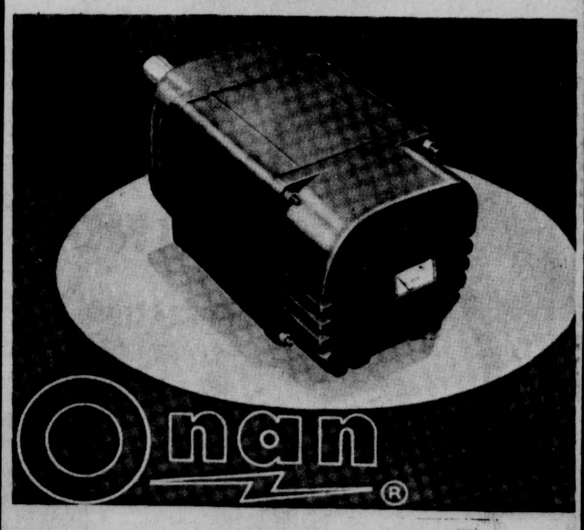
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Ohio farmer is weather expert



The "crystal ball," or sunlight duration recorder, gives an upside-down, wide-angle view of the surrounding land. The instrument is only one of the devices Fordham uses in his test-plot work with corn and soybeans. (Telegraph Photo)

By SUE WILSON

OHIO — Bill Fordham is a farmer who has a crystal ball. With it and a few other "magical instruments," he can predict the future.

Sound strange? Actually, what he predicts is the weather, using several meteorological instruments. One of these instruments is the "crystal ball," a sunlight duration recorder, which shows how long the sun shines each day.

A grain farmer — "the only 'livestock' I have is my dog," he jokes — Fordham started his weather studies as a hobby. "I wanted to get away from the image of the grain farmer as someone who spends all winter at the local tavern or just loafing around," he says, "and since I've always tended to like doing things in an innovative and precise fashion, I decided to see what role the weather plays in crop production."

So, he bought the sunlight recorder, a rain gauge and a hygrothermograph, a device that records temperature and relative humidity on a continuous weekly chart. He began receiving weather data from his 1,400 acre farmer near Ohio in 1962 and started publishing the results in 1970. He keeps the data from April 1 to September 30. Requests for his data come from all over the country and he is often asked to speak about his findings.

Along with weather data are the results from his corn and soybean test plots, including yields, protein percentages, moisture content, crude fat, etc. He plants several varieties of both corn and soybeans, trying to find the variety that will do well consistently at least two to three years in a row. If a variety is consistently in top ten per cent, he recommends it. The purpose of his research, he says, it to find the production which will insure the maximum returns and minimum risks.

Fordham has learned some rather interesting things from his data, including the observation that the amount of sunshine per day doesn't seem to affect yields. In fact, he's found the best conditions for corn production are cloudy, humid days under 85 degrees in July and August. He has also found that as relative humidity increases, the yields increase. He says the best average temperature for corn growth is 72 degrees, because at 86 degrees, the corn plant stops using the heat for growth and at 90 degrees, it begins going backwards. At temperatures colder than 50, the plant doesn't advance.

He cites Dr. Louis Thompson of Iowa State University as one of his major influences. Thompson has been predicting droughts in the '70's based on long-range cycles, and Fordham says, based on his own data, July and August should be quite dry this year.

Fordham also likes to use his imagination when it comes to extending farming to a world-wide scale. He sees future frontiers coming in the area communication. Part of the communication will involve learning more about marketing, Fordham projects. Two years ago, he spent 50 cents an acre on a marketing program. Now he spends $3 per acre, "Five years from now I may be spending $5 or even $10 an acre on marketing," he says. Also, he has a commodity wire service that is to keep him posted on up-to-the minute figures on the grain market. "The farmer shouldn't be the last to find out what's going on in the world," he says.

He sees a difference in perspective from his father's generation to his. "For my Dad, farming was a way of life," he explains, "At one time, I saw farming as a business, but now I realize it is still a way of life and also a big business, too."

Fordham is rather found of where he lives. "If they were to name the eighth wonder of the world, it should be the corn-belt," he says, pointing out that Iowa and Illinois produce 16 per cent of the world's corn crop. "Illinois is the heart of the Mid-west, and north-central Illinois is the heart of the heart. I really believe we live in the most elite place in the whole world."

Maybe if he can't really predict the future — although he did get five out of six of his weather predictions right last year — he is always making plans based on his observations of both weather and world-wide activities. His immediate plans? He'd like to get a solar radiation recorder to see how long the sun's radiation affects his crops.



Bill Fordham slips a card behind his "crystal ball." When the sun shines through the ball, it burns a slit in the card. By adding up the burned areas on the card, Fordham can determine exactly how long the sun shines each day. (Telegraph Photo)

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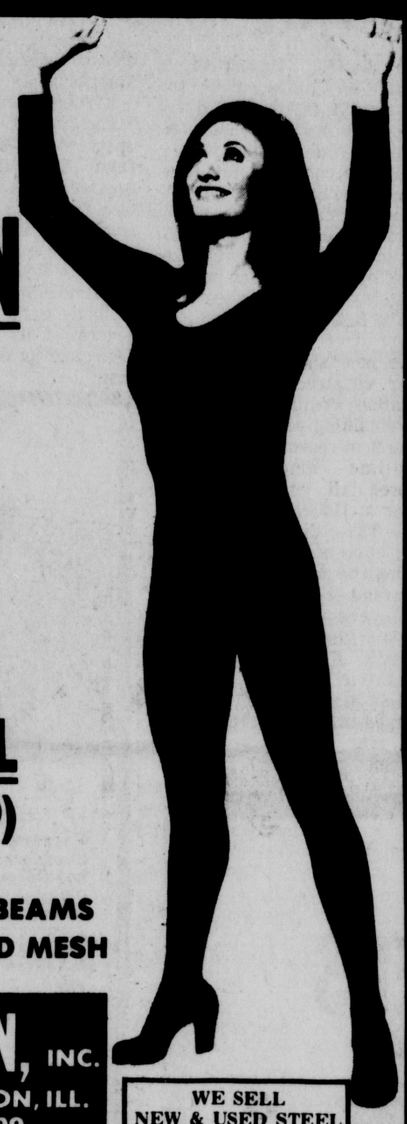
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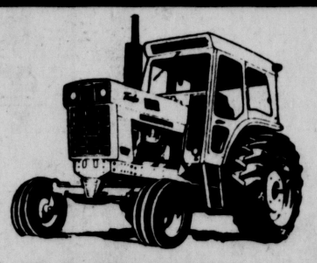
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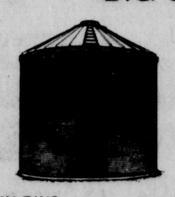
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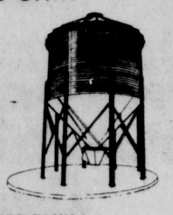
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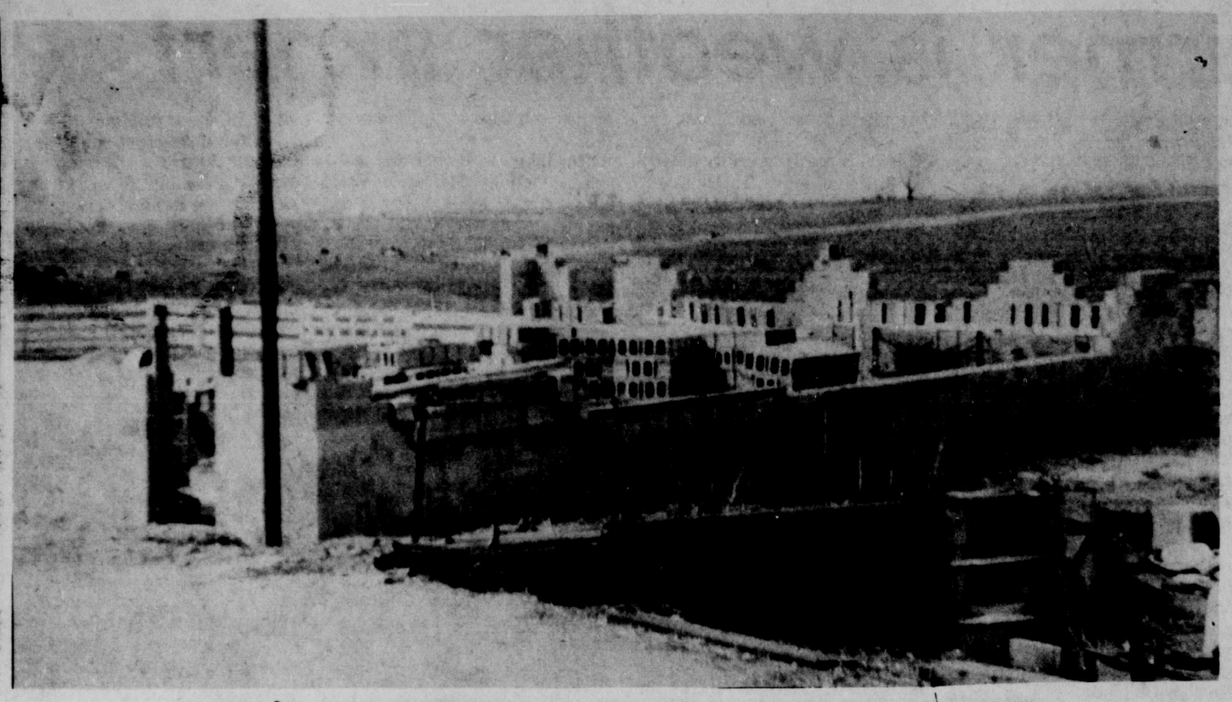
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The new offices of Albrecht Well Drilling, Inc., will include a two-story warehouse. The old building was destroyed by fire in December 1974. The firm recently celebrated 95 years of well drilling and pump service. (Telegraph Photo)

News accounts recall U.S. Manila Bay naval success

After reading the New York World's story on Commodore Dewey's victory over the Spanish fleet at Manila Bay in May, 1898, President McKinley was quoted as saying: "The New York World apparently has the only information to be had on the subject, and it would be wise for the Navy Department to depend on it for information."

"Dewey's Marvellous Naval Achievement—The World's Splendid News Victory" was the World's headline on May 8. The story had been filed by Edward Walker Harden, who had been with the American fleet because he was the brother-in-law of a government official.

Actually, the one experienced war correspondent with Dewey had been a New York Herald reporter, Joseph L. Stickney. It was Stickney who recorded Dewey's famous "You may fire when ready, Gridley."

The only other reporters there, Harden and his companion, John T. McCutcheon of the Chicago Record, were aboard the gunboat McCulloch, while Stickney had the advantage of being next to Dewey on the flagship Olympia. But it was Harden who got the scoop on one of the most significant stories in American history.

This is another illustration of how the biggest news breaks occur through a combination of skill, alertness and importantly, luck.

The battle had been fought on May 1, when Dewey's Asiatic squadron—six main fighting ships—destroyed the Spanish fleet in seven hours of free firing. The United States became a Pacific power in those few hours, with all of the consequences to be unfolded over the years.

As early as May 2 word reached Washington, through Madrid, that Dewey had won a naval battle but that the United States had suffered severe losses. The story was unclear and word from Dewey was expected. It didn't come and anticipation grew.

Dewey had made an agreement with the three reporters that he would allow them to file their stories when the fleet reached the cablehead at Hong Kong, and Stickney had won a coin flip held to determine whose story should go first.

But Harden sent his first 30 words at the urgent rate of $9.90 per word, instead of the regular $4.80 rate, and his entire 800-word account finally was given priority. The story reached the World office too late for regular editions but appeared in an "extra" and the Chicago Tribune and St. Louis Post-Dispatch ran it across their pages.

Harden also was a financial writer for the Tribune, thus that connection. And the Post-Dispatch was the other Pulitzer paper.

The American flag flew over "Spain's two greatest forts in the Philippines," the World said, also quoting Capt. Mahan, the leading naval strategist, as claiming "Commodore Dewey has fought the greatest naval battle in recorded history."

During the 20th Century there would be other races for news like the one between Harden, McCutcheon and Stickney. In May, 1898, the United States was just flexing its muscles as a world power and only a few reporters were gaining experience in covering foreign events.

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Ohio firm is rebuilding from major fire

By JANET GROSSMAN

OHIO — On December 19, 1974, a major fire destroyed the shop, office and warehouse of Albrecht Well Drilling, Inc., rural Ohio, and the facilities are now being re-built.

A new block structure, which includes offices, is 26 feet by 37 feet, and a two-story warehouse 50 feet by 24 feet, which houses the newly-replaced inventory, is in its final stages of completion.

The new shop is currently under construction. Business operations continue throughout the rebuilding period.

The firm recently recognized long-time employes and honored all employes at a dinner at Holiday Inn, Princeton. The dinner marked completion of 95 years of well drilling and pump service to the area, and it was attended by employees, families, and guests of the company, and of Albrecht Farms, numbering about 70 in all.

About 20 people are presently engaged in the operation, with well over 200 years of total combined experience. The firm constructs and services private and public water systems over a 12-county area.

The business is currently operated by Mr. and Mrs. S. Dean Albrecht, having been previously conducted for more than 60 years by Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Albrecht, who still participate in an advisory capacity. It was Henry's father, Fred A. Albrecht, who began drilling wells in 1880; and several of his great-grandchildren are presently with the firm.

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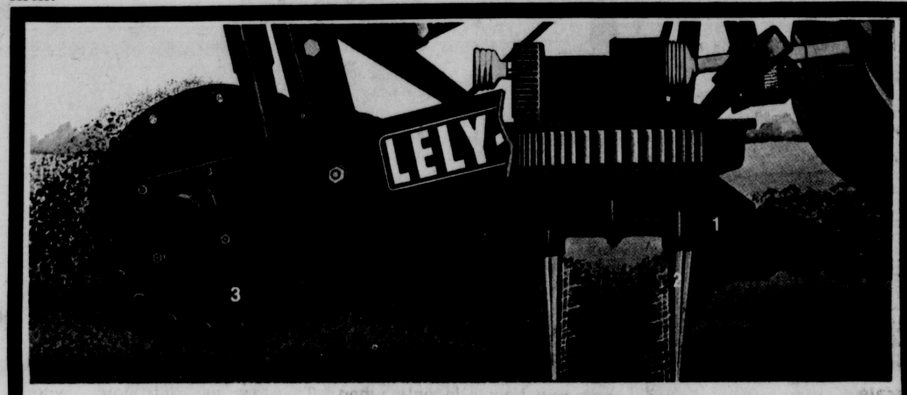
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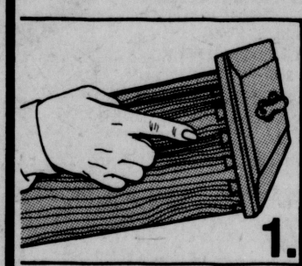


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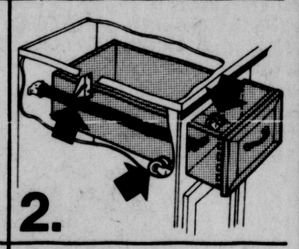
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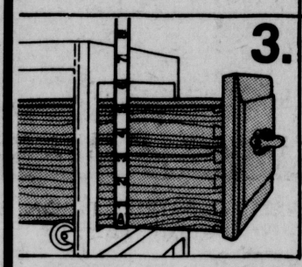
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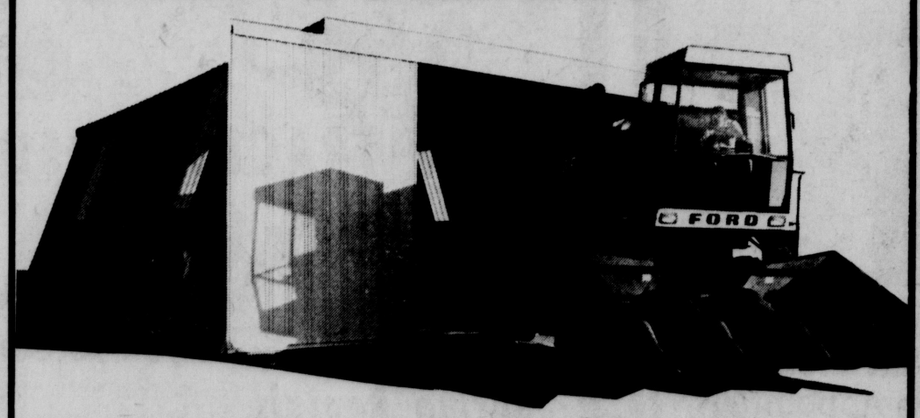
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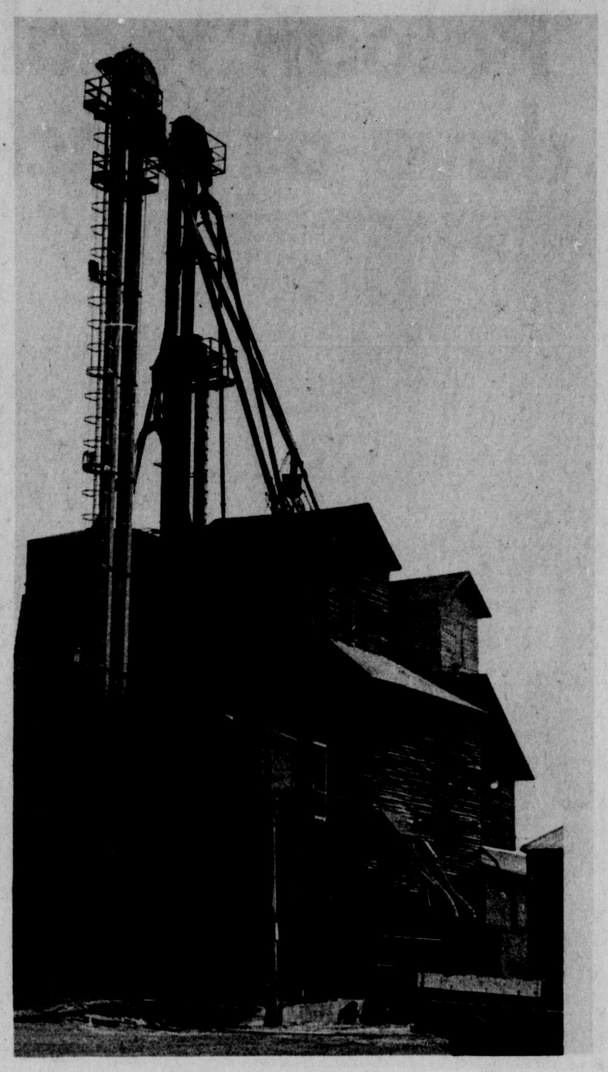
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Globe-circling trip ahead for Secretary Butz

WASHINGTON (AP) — A globe-girdling trip planned by Agriculture Secretary Earl L. Butz next month will put him in direct contact with foreign officials involved in some of the most sensitive issues related to U.S. farmers.

For example, Butz will visit New Zealand and Australia in the first leg of his 20-day trip, scheduled to begin April 11. Those countries are the leading suppliers of foreign beef to the United States and had been criticized at times by American livestock interests for allegedly trying to dump surplus meat on the U.S. market.

Butz will deliver what aides Thursday called "a major speech" in Wellington, N.Z., at a meeting of farm organizations during his visit April 13-15.

Next, in Sidney, he will participate in an Australian symposium at the annual Royal Easter Livestock Show. Australia also is a major grain export competitor of the United States.

Other countries on Butz itinerary include Indonesia, Malaysia, Singapore, Greece, Bulgaria, Switzerland, Spain and Portugal. He expects to return May 2.

Indonesia and Malaysia are the primary sources of U.S. palm oil imports which have grown drmatically the past year or two.

Soybean producers and other U.S. interests have protested the growth of palm oil imports and want the Ford administration to impose quotas or take other action to restrict them.

Producer groups say palm oil imports help depress the price of soybeans, normally the major source for U.S. vegetable oil.

While in Singapore, Butz will take part in a conference of U.S. agricultural officers posted in Peking and Hong Kong, who are expected to discuss farm and trade developments in China.

Agricultural attaches serving in Thailand, the Philippines, Indonesia and Malaysia also will be at the Singapore meeting set for April 22.

In Geneva, Butz will confer with the U.S. delegation to the multilateral trade negotiations now being held in Switzerland

Exports to Red China drop sharply

WASHINGTON (AP) — Exports of American farm products to the Peoples Republic of China dropped sharply last year and are expected to decline further in 1976 with little prospect that business will pick up soon, according to Agriculture Department analysts.

Farm exports, chiefly grain, soared to nearly $664.3 million in calendar 1974, then fell to less than $79.7 million last year, according to a new report by the department's Economic Research Service. It was included in the current issue of FATUS — Foreign Agricultural Trade of the United States — published by the agency.

The report said prospects for farm exports to China this year "are limited" and that the U.S. role is likely to be that of a "residual" supplier, meaning sales will be made only when other foreign countries cannot fill all of China's orders.

"Barring a substantial decline in 1976 grain production, total (China) grain imports in 1976 are expected to be well below three million (metric) tons, an amount easily supplied by Canada and Australia within the limits of the existing long term agreements, and no U.S. grain exports to (China) are expected," the report said.

China may buy some U.S. cotton since its 1975 crop was smaller than in 1974 and world demand for Chinese textiles appears to be on the upswing again, it said. Even so, total U.S. farm sales to China may be only about $30 million this calendar year, the report said. Even so, total U.S. farm sales to China may be only about $30 million this calendar year, the report said. In 1975, nearly all of the U.S. farm export sales to China of about $79.7 million was cotton.

Imports of agricultural products from China are relatively small but could about match 1976 exports of U.S. farm products to that country, according to the analysis. Last year, imports totaled about $28.2 million, led by feathers, down, bristles and hair.

Bull is champion sire

ELBURN, Ill. (AP) — Paclamar Astronaut is a lot of bull.

So much so that he has been certified by the Holstein Breeders Association in Brattleboro, Vt., as the father of a world-record 39,760 offspring.

Curtiss Breeding Service of Elburn, which leases the 2,400-pound bull, celebrated the event at a champagne party Tuesday as Astronaut, who evidently had nothing better to do with his time, calmly munched some hay. "He is just a sex maniac on four legs," said Miles McCarry, director of agricultural relations for Curtiss. "His record was certified last Friday and since then he probably has sired 40 or 50 more calves," McCarry said.

Astronaut did not do it all by himself, however.

"He never has been offered for old fashioned service. He never has had a shot at a heifer," McCarry explained. "Roaming a pasture with a herd of cows and mating naturally, he probably would have produced no more than 40 calves a year.

It has all been done with artificial insemination. "His semen sells for $40 for one-half cubic centimeter, enough to breed one cow," McCarry said.

Actually, Astronaut has sired 23,101 milking cows, as well as 5,000 registered sons.

McCarry said the bull probably has sired more than 80,000 offspring, but the record is based on registrations.

Astronaut cost $9,000 when purchased as a calf in 1964. A syndicate of nine cattle breeders in Maryland, chaired by William I. King of Gaithersburg, Md. owns him now.

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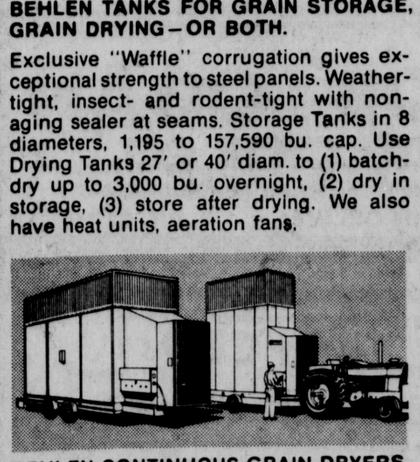
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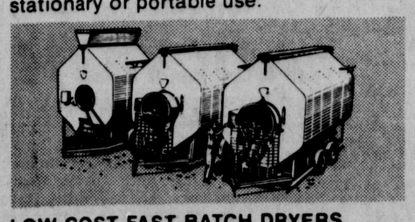
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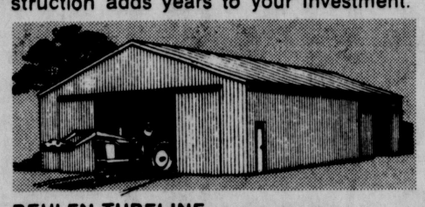
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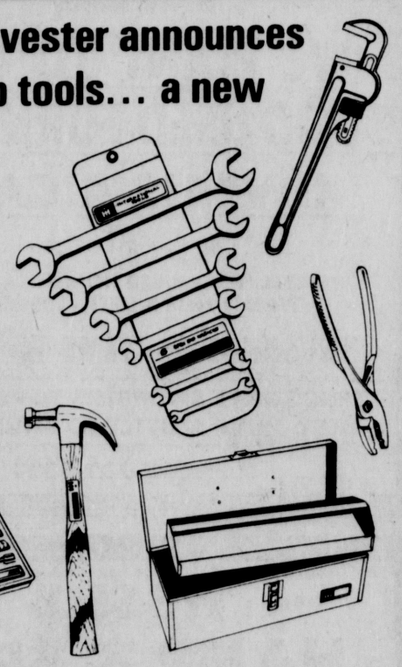
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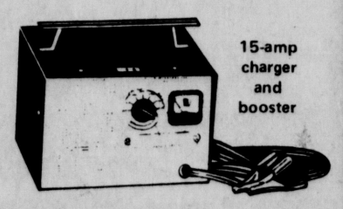
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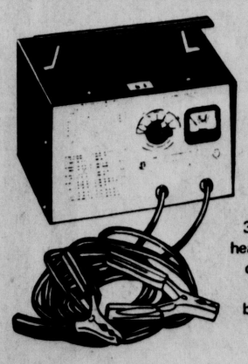
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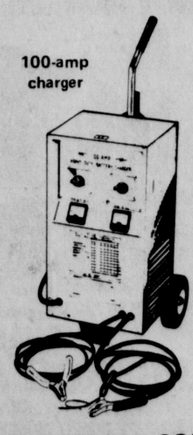
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Turns abandoned refrigerators into useful items

NORMAL, Ill. (AP) — Guy Hilton has beaten the economy with a business that has no overhead.

The 59-year-old handyman makes everything from fireplaces to hoghouses with discarded refrigerators which cost him nothing.

"Friends call me the refrigerator man. When they buy a new one they call me to come get their old one. It would cost them $3 to have it hauled away to the dump," said Hilton, who started his business about a year ago. "I also get all the old hulks thrown away by an appliance store in town."

Hilton has 40 stored in a barn on his farm and keeps several in his garage workshop in Normal.

"I haven't sold too many things so far, but money right now is not the main thing. I just get a lot of enjoyment out of making something out of nothing," he said. "My wife can't understand my love for old refrigerators and kids me that I'll be buried in one. In fact, I get kidding calls now and then from people asking when I'm going to make one that flies or one that can cross the ocean."

Hilton, a retired real estate man, says there are some 30 items he makes from the discards.

"They are unbeatable as equipment lockers, well pump covers, garbage containers, garden carts, grain feeders, water tanks and fishing boats," he said.

"Old refrigerators were sturdily built at a time when manufacturers were not trying to save a buck here or there putting them together. I was making them into johnboats—those narrow, flat bottom, square-end boats—but they didn't sell. I even advertised them in the papers but when guys called up and I said they were made from refrigerators they always hung up. They must have had too much pride to fish out of a refrigerator."

Hilton built vents, slanted flues and a heating chamber inside one big hulk and covered the outside with a brick-like design. "It works great as a fireplace," he said.

"My newest and probably best project is putting a few refrigerators together on my farm for a hoghouse," he said. "My kids are in 4-H and we have eight hogs and 15 piglets. One sow and her pigs are doing fine in my new hoghouse which is equipped with all the conveniences of the best hog home money can buy, including a heating lamp."

Hilton said his next project is making peace with his wife, Linda.

"Ever since I put a fireplace in our garage, she says her car smells like a garbage dump," he said.

Poloan recalls his days as blacksmith



Clyde Garman holds one of the old-time ice shoes (left) that were made to keep the horses from sliding on the ice. These shoes were made with three very sharp points on the bottom of the shoes. The other shoe would have been used on a small horse or pony. (Telegraph Photo)

By KATHLEEN SAMUEL

POLO — "I do not know about right now, but when I was shoeing horses, there were only two licensed lady blacksmiths for shoeing horses in the whole state of Illinois," said Clyde Garman, Polo's 83-year-old blacksmith and horseshoer.

Garman started his business as a hobby, because like many other horse lovers, he could not find somebody to shoe his own horse when he needed it.

He remembers that he took his first state license test in Freeport in 1910. There were "skads of fellows," there that day taking the test, too. Of course, that is when each farmer had about two or three teams of horses around the farm to do the work.

When tractors and big machinery took the horses' place on the farms, Garman's horseshoeing duties dwindled until in the 1930's and '40's when saddle horse riding became a fad. He remembers of going to Chicago to take his second test.

Now everybody goes to Springfield for their test, and it is a lot rougher to pass than it was way back in 1910, he said.

"We were given a ready-made shoe; you heated up the shoe, trimmed around the hooves and the fetlock, hammered on a hot shoe and spiked it, and they handed your license. Now, they start off by giving you a small bar of iron, and you have to make your own shoe and fit it to the hoof."

In Garman's collection of horseshoes, he has some of the most unusual shapes. The shoes range in all sizes and weights, from big shoes weighing about five pounds, which were nailed on big work horses, down to the small shoe for the dainty little Hackney ponies," that dance so pretty when they walk," Garman said. "You know, gaited horses, hackneys and all of those high-stepping horses have a special-made shoe to make them lift up their hooves that way."

Garman's activities as a horseshoer have been limited since he broke his leg in 1960, but before that, whenever he got a call, he would jump in his panel truck with the pincers, hammers, nail trimmers, clippers, forge and anvil and drive all over the state to shoe horses. He later switched to a welding torch to heat the shoes when it became impossible to find the needed fire-burning equipment.

"It was not unusual for me to put on 64 shoes in one day," he remembers. "I would get a call from a farmer in Shabbona, West Brooklyn, or someone in north Winnebago county who would have six horses. He would gather up more farmers with eight or ten horses and I would spend all day at his farm putting on shoes."

"I was real lucky, I mean I never had any serious accidents while shoeing them — oh yes — sometimes they would get mulish and kick a little, but I got into the habit of 'reading' the animal before I went to work on him. You can tell a lot about an animal's disposition by the way he sets his ears when you walk up to him, or the way he rolls his eyes or holds his head," Garman recalled when Dr. John Clayton was a little boy about 8-years-old His father bought him a black gaited horse and they called Garman to shoe it. "When I got to the barn, Garman said, little John said that I should watch out for him beacuse he was little tricky. So, I talked as I walked up to him, petted him on the withers, hand-combed his mane a little and let him think over the situation — and then proceeded to shoe all four hoofs without any trouble. Horses are like people, you have to understand their moods before you approach them."

Garman used to go trail riding on Sundays on his own horse until it became the busiest day in the week for him with the saddle horse trade. He was kept busy during the 1957 Centennial Celebration in Polo, especially with all of the horses in the parades and the pony express riders.

Garman said that he does not get around as much as he did before he broke his leg, but a couple of Sunday's ago, his daughter came down from Rockford and took him to Dixon for dinner. "After dinner we stopped at Gibson's new store," Garman said, "and while I was waiting for her to shop, this man came up to me and said, 'remember me? I farmed in Dixon and you used to shoe my team of work horses way back in the 1920's.' "

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Journalism's great names

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The names of these men and newspapers all enter the story of American journalism in the decade 1875-1885, along with others prominent in any roll call of newspaper leaders. Year by year, a chronology of highlights runs:

1875— St. Louis Globe-Democrat formed in merger, with Joseph B. McCullagh as editor.

1876— Melville E. Stone founds the Chicago Daily News.

1877— Washington Post founded; Gen. Charles H. Taylor becomes publisher of the struggling Boston Globe (founded 1872) and starts its successful evening edition; Harvey W. Scott becomes a co-owner of the Portland Oregonian; New Orleans Item founded.

1878— Joseph Pulitzer founds the St. Louis Post-Dispatch; Edward Wyllis Scripps establishes the Cleveland Press.

1879— New Orleans States founded.

1880— William Rockhill Nelson founds the Kansas City Star; Henry W. Grady becomes managing editor of the Atlanta Constitution; Cincinnati Times-Star formed; Buffalo Evening News founded; George Hearst buys the San Francisco Examiner, which passes to his son William Randolph Hearst in 1887.

1881— Los Angeles Times founded, Harrison Gray Otis assumes control in 1882.

1882— Lucius W. Nieman's Milwaukee Journal appears.

1883— Joseph Pulitzer buys the New York World: E. W. Scripps takes control of the Cincinnati Post.

1884— Pittsburgh Press and Louisville Times founded.

1885— Dallas News founded; Josephus Daniels appears in Raleigh, N.C., as editor of the weekly State Chronicle; Gilbert M. Hitchcock founds the Omaha Daily World, which becomes the World-Herald in 1889.

If there was more ferment in one decade in the American newspaper business, no existing history records it.

Statistics give another indication of the great ferment in the years surrounding the decade 1875-1885, and indeed a far more impressive one than even such a listing of names of great men and great newspapers.

Community weeklies numbered approximately 4,000 in 1870; 20 years later their number had tripled to more than 12,000. These were the weeklies in the towns under 10,000 population; many of them had two newspapers; and villages of 300 persons commonly had newspapers of their own. The peak number of weeklies was to be 14,000 in 1910, published in more than 9,000 communities.

The number of English-language, general-circulation daily newspapers stood at 489 in 1870. It reached 850 in 1880 and 1,400 in 1890—not quite a tripling of the 1870 figure. The largest growth was in evening dailies; by 1890 they numbered two-thirds of the total. Dailies totaled 1,967 in 1900 and reached a peak of 2,200 in 1910. Only 389 cities had dailies in 1880, compared to 915 in 1900 and 1,207 in 1910.

Weekly newspapers in 1890 had circulations running from 300 to 3,000 copies; dailies averaged a little more than 5,000, with the largest reaching 250,000. Circulation totals for all daily publications rose from 2.6 million in 1870 to 15 million in 1900—an almost sixfold increase. Weeklies enjoyed a similar but unrecorded growth.

Between 1870 and 1900 the United States doubled its population and tripled the number of its urban residents. During the same 30 years the number of its weekly newspapers more than tripled and the number of its dailies almost quadrupled, while the numbers of copies sold increased almost sixfold. The American newspaper was growing more rapidly than the cities and towns which spawned it.

What was happening was a transformation of the national economy by a dynamic capitalism utilizing vast natural resources and the new machines of the industrial revolution.

Industrialization, mechanization and urbanization brought extensive social, cultural and political changes: the rise of the city, improved transportation and communication, educational advances, political unrest, and the development of an extensive labor movement. In the world of newspapers, the era is known as that of the "new journalism"—a description applied particularly to Joseph Pulitzer's pace-setting New York World by the trade publication The Journalist in 1885.

The national wealth was quadrupling between 1865 and 1900 and manufacturing production was increasing sevenfold. This was the period of the coming of the age of steel, the harnessing of electricity for light and power, the beginning of oil production. Coal and iron mining, cotton and tobacco manufacturing, cattle-raising, lumbering and agriculture all expanded.

The country was on the move, and new towns and villages dotted the West as the frontier line of settlement disappeared from the map by 1890. The first transcontinental railroad of 1869 was quickly followed by others; miles of track increased from 93,000 in 1880 to 193,000 in 1900. The 1870s saw the coming of the telephone, the electric light and the phonograph; the 1880s, electric power stations, steel bridges and buildings, and electric streetcars to carryt the throngs of city dwellers. Education was stimulated by a rapid growth of high schools and colleges, and of public libraries which answered a general thirst for literature and knowledge.

Obviously a "new journalism" would emerge for this new society. The nationwide financial and industrial expansion transformed the big city newspaper into a corporate enterprise rather than a personal venture. Increasing mechanization, spurred on by inventive genius, revolutionized printing processes just as it did other industrial processes.

The tremendous growth of the cities permitted larger circulations and business growth produced more advertising, giving newspapers more revenues to match larger investments and operating expenses. And the steady increase in the number of communities, which tripled between 1860 and 1890, offered a host of new publishing opportunities which were seized upon quickly.

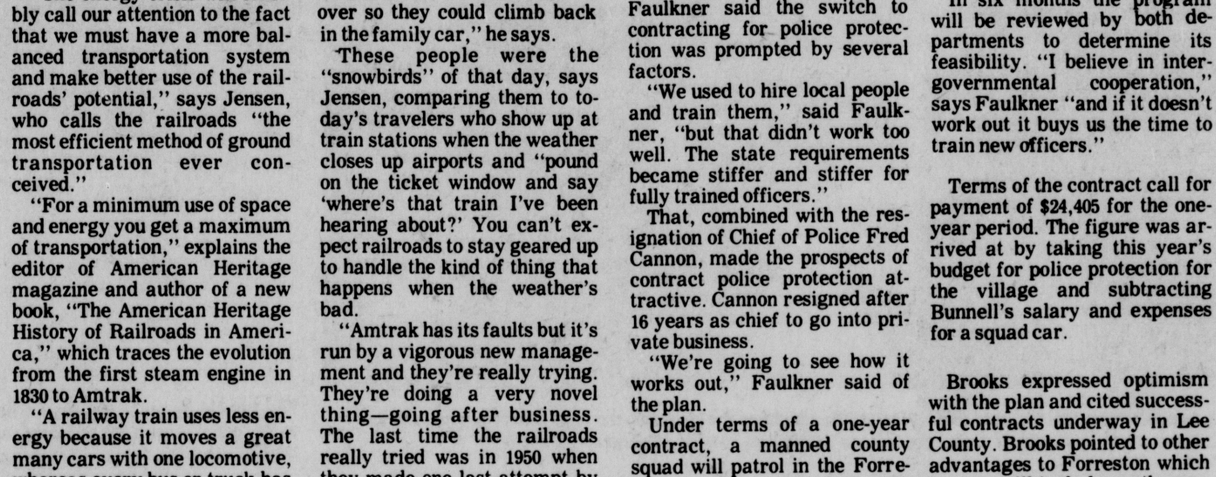
As there was in the Penny Press period of the 1830s and 1840s, there was a new audience for the new journalists. More people were interested in reading; the labor class had increased rapidly; and there was a heavy concentration of immigrant population in rapidly growing eastern cities. New York City residents, who increased 50 per cent between 1880 and 1890, were 80 per cent foreign born or of foreign parentage. Such readers, stirred by political and social unrest, looked for aggressive editorial leadership and crusading in their newspapers.

But they wanted also impartial and thorough coverage of the news. The newspaper which appealed to them also was low-priced, easily read, popularized in content and style of writing and bright in appearance.

These were the hallmarks of the "New Journalism" developed most fully by Joseph Pulitzer in his St. Louis Post-Dispatch and New York World, but practiced alsy by Melville Stone in his Chicago Daily News, by E. W. Scripps in his Cleveland Press, by Gen. Charles H. Taylor in his sensationalized Boston Globe, and to a less popularized extent by William Rockhill Nelson in his Kansas City Star, by Henry Grady in this Atlanta Constitution and by most of the other rising figures in American journalism.

Their improved journalistic standards were adopted gradually by the rank and file of the expanding community press as well.

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Pea viners ready

Pictured above are the mobile pea viners used each spring to harvest the first crop of peas for canning at the Del Monte Corp. in Rochelle. Though inactive now, the harvesters will soon be hard at work. (Telegraph Photo)

Railroad nostalgia is his speciality

By JOY STILLEY
AP Newsfeatures Writer

NEW YORK (AP)— Oliver Jensen, historian, author and editor who has had a lifelong love affair with the railroad, is nostalgic about its past, dissatisfied with its present and hopeful for its future.

"The energy crisis will forcibly call our attention to the fact that we must have a more balanced transportation system and make better use of the railroads' potential," says Jensen, who calls the railroads "the most efficient method of ground transportation ever conceived."

"For a minimum use of space and energy you get a maximum of transportation," explains the editor of American Heritage magazine and author of a new book, "The American Heritage History of Railroads in America," which traces the evolution from the first steam engine in 1830 to Amtrak.

"A railway train uses less energy because it moves a great many cars with one locomotive, whereas every bus or truck has to have its own driver and its own fuel," Jensen said in an interview. "One line of railway track can carry as much in any given period of time as nine lanes of modern highway."

Jensen, whose love of trains is apparent in everything from his enthusiastic recital of their virtues to the replica of "the General" locomotive of Civil War fame that he wears as a tie clasp, recalled the major role they played in the country's history.

"In the East there were towns loosely linked by water or horse-drawn conveyance, but a vast two-thirds of the country was crossed only now and then by hardy pioneers. Man had moved on land at the speed of his own legs or of a horse since the dawn of history. Then along came the railroads."

They not only were instrumental in settling the greater part of the United States, he adds, but they became the biggest business of 19th century America, helping create many other industries.

"Before the age of the auto the major demand for steel was the railroads," he says. "They made the prairie states the breadbasket of the world, carrying grain to Minnesota to be made into flour and then carrying the flour out again. Until the first little ralroad thrust tentative fingers out, nobody shipped anything very far because it was too expensive."

The zenith came in 1916, Jensen says, when there were 250,000 miles of track in this country—more than in the rest of the world put together. Then the public forsook the trains for the automobile and later for the airplane, while in the Depression rail traffic fell off still more.

The railroads' greatest feat came during World War II's gas shortage, Jensen maintains. With a third less equipment and somewhat less mileage than at their peak, by "superhuman effort" they carried 90 per cent of both freight and traffic between cities.

"But this sudden taxing of equipment left a lot of people with bad memories of what it was like to travel by train. They couldn't wait for the war to be over so they could climb back in the family car," he says.

These people were the "snowbirds" of that day, says Jensen, comparing them to today's travelers who show up at train stations when the weather closes up airports and "pound on the ticket window and say 'where's that train I've been hearing about?' You can't expect railroads to stay geared up to handle the kind of thing that happens when the weather's bad.

"Amtrak has its faults but it's run by a vigorous new management and they're really trying. They're doing a very novel thing—going after business. The last time the railroads really tried was in 1950 when they made one last attempt by buying all that shiny equipment and going to diesel."

Jensen is against the government completely running the railroads but believes it should take over the right of way and maintain it as it maintains the highways and let the private companies operate both freight and passenger service.

"I would like to see a mixture, to see the private sector remain in passenger and freight business if they can get a fair shake. They should not be in a position of being taxed in effect to support subsidized competitors—competitors who are less desirable from an environmental standpoint."

Jensen, who travels by train whenever possible, is one of the founders, former president and now board chairman of the Valley Railroad Co. of Essex, Conn., a 21-mile-long steam line.

"We restored the tack, the road bed and the cars and we offer a ride in about the style of 1914, which happens to be the year I was born. People come down in droves. The scream of the whistle really reaches deep into people's souls and reawakens their love affair with the rails. It never died and I'm convinced it will be with us for a long time to come.

"We are always going to have autos; we are always going to have airplanes, but we ought to build up the railway sector in terms of efficiency and comfort. We should remember that there are a great many people who don't drive, don't fly, want reliable transportation no matter what the weather, want to see the country—and love trains."

Forreston contracts for police service

OREGON— Starting Thursday, the Village of Forreston will have around-the-clock police protection under terms of a contract with the Ogle County Sheriff's Department.

The tiny community of 1,400 appealed to Sheriff Jerry Brooks in efforts to beef-up their police force.

Village President Louis Faulkner said the switch to contracting for police protection was prompted by several factors.

"We used to hire local people and train them," said Faulkner, "but that didn't work too well. The state requirements became stiffer and stiffer for fully trained officers."

That, combined with the resignation of Chief of Police Fred Cannon, made the prospects of contract police protection attractive. Cannon resigned after 16 years as chief to go into private business.

"We're going to see how it works out," Faulkner said of the plan.

Under terms of a one-year contract, a manned county squad will patrol in the Forreston area between the hours of 5 p.m. to 7 a.m. In the daytime hours Forreston officer Robert Bunnell will patrol the streets.

The county will additionally provide 24-hour service on Sundays and six major holidays throughout the year.

Approved by the Ogle County Board, the patrolling will consist of periodic checks through the village with a car always on call and investigation of all felonies and serious misdemeanors.

In six months the program will be reviewed by both departments to determine its feasibility. "I believe in intergovernmental cooperation," says Faulkner "and if it doesn't work out it buys us the time to train new officers."

Terms of the contract call for payment of $24,405 for the one-year period. The figure was arrived at by taking this year's budget for police protection for the village and subtracting Bunnell's salary and expenses for a squad car.

Brooks expressed optimism with the plan and cited successful contracts underway in Lee County. Brooks pointed to other advantages to Forreston which he says will include youth services and narcotics investigation. "They will be getting a lot of services that they do not have now," the sheriff noted.

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Janice Horst, Mt. Morris, holds a few of the chickens that lay colored eggs. Janice, who originally wanted rabbits, seems quite content as a chicken raiser. (Telegraph Photo)



What could be more fun than a handful of— pigs? Leann Horst displays a few of the piglets that were recently born on the Horst farm. Both Horst girls are always ready to pitch in and help their Dad around the farm. (Telegraph Photo)

Every egg is like an Easter egg

By MARIAN KALNINS

MT. MORRIS — Wouldn't the Easter bunny have it made if he had these chickens working for him? Can you believe chickens laying color eggs? It's true, the Leland Horst family can prove it.

Last August, the family was over at the Chana auction sale and came upon some roosters and pullets. They hadn't planned on buying chickens, but since their daughter Janice had been trying to talk them into buying rabbits, dad had a better idea.

He told Janice and her sister Leann that they would have to find hutches and everything that was needed to raise the rabbits, whereas they had coops already at their place to accommodate peeps. So home came the peeps.

The chickens are different colors: Some are black and white, some brown and white, and some plain brown. Some even have hair all the way down their legs.

The eggs are layed in three different colors, are green, dark brown and medium-light beige.

The roosters have long gone, but the pullets keep producing for about a year.

While Janice is taking care of her chickens, Leann is busy with her pigs and calves. Within the last month, four new calves and many litters of pigs have been born.

The girls also help their dad when it comes to spring planting and general farming. Mom does her share of helping too. Besides helping with the farm work and taking care of the house, she is also a registered nurse.

Williams gave $1,000 to civil war volunteers

In response to a proclamation made by President Abraham Lincoln, the Board of Town Auditors of Hamilton Township on Feb. 27, 1865, resolved to pay $250 to each person who volunteered to join the Union Army.

Fund to pay the volunteers was to be raised by imposing additional property taxes and by voluntary contributions.

One of the persons who gave money to recruit volunteers for the Union Army was N. C. Williams, who contributed $1,000.

Williams came to this area from an Arkansas plantation and was a raiser and promoter of racing horses. He introduced the Hamiltonian horses to this area.

After being in Lee County for some time, Williams made a trip back to Arkansas and while there was murdered.

Williams' widow brought his body back to Illinois and had it buried in a plot he had designated, along with his favorite horse, his saddle, his gun and his dog. A monument marks the site, which is in East Grove Township, southwest of Amboy.

After Williams' death, his widow moved to Grand Junction, Iowa, where her descendants are still engaged in raising beef cattle.

A great-grandson of Williams, Jim Doran, now living at Paton, Iowa, played on the 1950 Iowa State football team and in the mid-1950s was an end for the Detroit Lions.

Infected cattle found

WASHINGTON (AP) — Federal and state authorities are tracing cattle that may have been infected by tuberculosis in areas of Illinois and Indiana.

The Agriculture Department said Thursday five infected Holstein dairy herds have been located in McHenry County, Ill., and three herds of purebred Angus beef cattle with the disease were found in Posey County, Ind. Tests show the disease "had been present some time" in those herds, officials said.

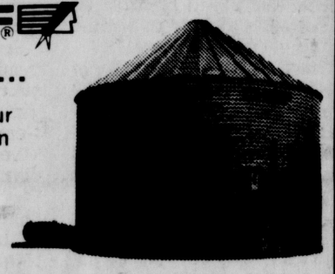
"The big problem with these two outbreaks are the many sales made over the past few years to other herds in a number of states," Dr. Ralph Bennett of the department's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service said. "Sales have been made both from the original source herds as well as through auction markets and dealers."

The main job now, the department said, is to trace animals possibly exposed to the disease and check them to see if they are infected.

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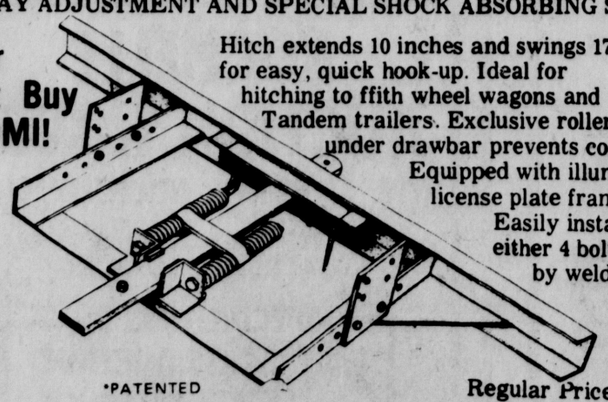
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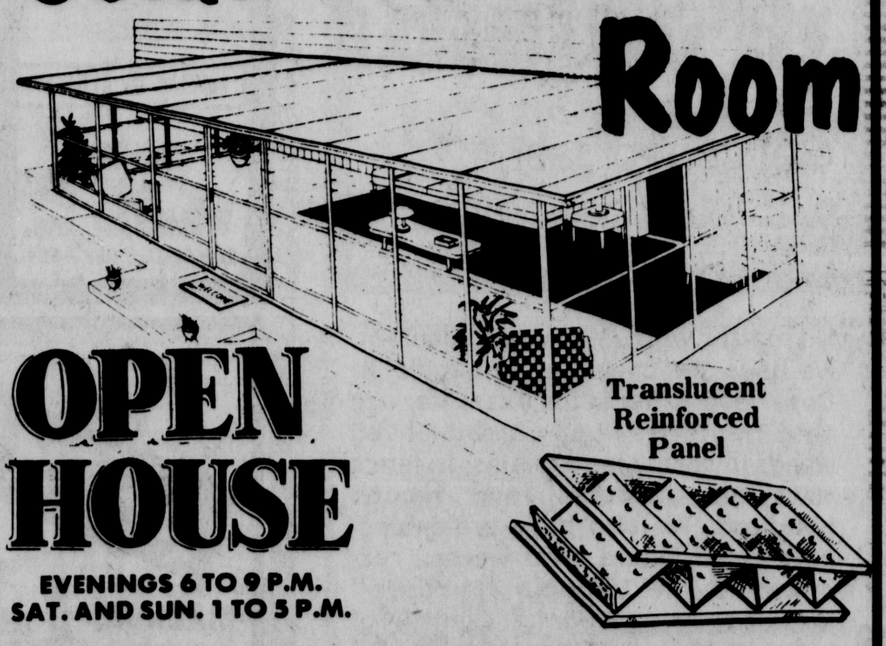
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Wire services started in 1840s

By R. A. SCHWARZLOSE

Dr. Alexander Jones, Francis A. Abbot, Alexander Seward, Daniel H. Craig — names which most journalists will not recognize but which rank in communications history alongside those of such great editors as Pulitzer, Greeley, Bennett, and Grady.

Despite their obscurity, these were four of the many pioneers who helped create America's first wire services during the 1840s and 1850s. They struggled to use, and to coexist with, the infant telegraph system in the United States in order to develop organizations for the regular gathering and distribution of news dispatches on a national scale.

Two developments in the early 1840s suggested to U.S. editors the possibility that a daily report of news events occurring all over the country — and even the world — was within the reach of all newspapers able to pay the expense.

The appearance of Samuel F. B. Morse's first experimental telegraph line in May 1844 was one of these developments. Within two years Washington, New York City, and Boston had been joined by telegraph lines and the new communications system was edging westward toward Buffalo, Chicago, St. Louis, and New Orleans.

A line between Albany and Buffalo was opened July 4, 1846, inducing Utica Gazette editor Alexander Seward to organize Upstate New York editors into a cooperative wire service to supply all newspapers along the new line with a daily news report from Albany and New Uork City. This organization would later become the New York State Associated Press and would survive until 1893.

IN NEW YORK CITY the appearance of the telegraph in mid-1846 prompted the appearance of independent telegraphic reports, such as Dr. Alexander Jones who maintained his medical practice while gathering news from all available telegraphic points for sale to New York City newspapers.

"By Magnetic Telegraph" began appearing over columns of news dispatches in newspapers throughout the East, and inland editors impatiently awaited the arrival of the "lightning," as telegraph was called in its early years, to join the technological revolution sweeping journalism.

The other development in the early 1840s which profoundly affected the rise of wire services was inauguration of Samuel Cunard's "ocean ferry," a line of transatlantic steamers which maintained a rigid schedule of crossings between Liverpool and Boston in all seasons. So dependable were the Cunard steamships, which began service in July 1840, that U.S. editors could anticipate within 48 hours the arrival of fresh news from England and Continent.

As the steamers approached North America, their first port of call was Halifax, Nova Scotia, and to expedite foreign news, editors used any means feasible to meet ships at Halifax and express the news to newspaper offices.

Chief among these efforts was Daniel H. Craig's use of carrier pigeons to fly abbreviated dispatches into Boston, New York, Philadelphia, and Washington.

Craig would carry his birds overland to Halifax when a Cunard steamer was due, take passage on the ship, condense the fresh foreign news from the latest European newspapers on board, and as the steamer neared the Massachusetts coast, he would release his pigeons from a porthole.

By 1849 a telegraph line had worked its way into New Brunswick. Craig and a competitor, both engaged by groups of newspaper editors, operated elaborate and expensive pony and steamer expresses between Halifax and St. John, N.B., to get the European news to the telegraph terminus first.

THE NEW YORK HERALD regularly ran fast expresses of the Cunard news from Boston to New York City, using horses, steamers and locomotives. At times when happenings in Europe had been uneventful, the excitement of these newspaper expresses surpassed the newsworthiness of the dispatches they carried.

For New York City editors the expense and difficulty of covering the Mexican War by express and telegraph during 1846-47, coupled with a European Continent seething with unrest and revolution in 1848, pointed the way to association as the only means of guaranteeing daily receipt of news.

Thus it was in 1848 that six leading New York papers — the Herald, Tribune, Sun, Journal of Commerce, Courier & Enquirer, and Express — formed the New York Associated Press, taking over the news-gathering activities of the independent telegraphic reporters, and hiring the dean of those reporters, Dr. Jones, to oversee the operation as AP's first general agent.

Through a series of contracts with telegraphic companies and by establishing a network of correspondents, Jones could provide his AP members a daily report of one or two columns of domestic news, and every fortnight the Cunard steamer delivered a 3,000-word dispatch from Liverpool.

Rather than each member newspaper paying individually for such dispatches, and having to fight for time on telegraph lines, all shared the expense equally and were assured of daily delivery.

It was a good scheme — so good in fact that Jones found himself facing competition by 1850. Francis A. Abbot and Elias P. Winans developed a similar system in conjunction with the Morse telegraphic system, and for a time threatened to put AP out of business.

Jones retired in 1851 and his successor as AP general agent, Daniel H. Craig (the same man who had flown pigeons), set about expanding AP's service, and by 1855 he had driven Abbot & Winans out of business.

THE FIRST REAL reporting test for the AP was the Civil War. Covering the confusion and bloodshed of war on a distant battlefield was problem enough, but then having to file battle dispatches over governmentally operated and censored telegraph lines made the assignment attractive to only the heartiest of correspondents.

The tradition of heroic or extraordinary news-gathering in American journalsim is not unique to wire services, but it is the nature of the wires that their reportage is more likely to be difficult, far-flung, even dangerous. Some of the wire service literature expresses this characteristic.

INS foreign director J. C. Oestreicher titled his book about INS World War H correspondents "The World Is Their Beat," former UP president Hugh Baillie called his autobiography "High Tension"; Joe Alex Morris used "A Deadline Every Minute" as the name of his United Press history.

The wires trace their legacy of news-gathering feats back to some of the outstanding exploits in journalism history. A few examples will illustrate the point:

—The Patriots' Committees of Correspondence established a network for disseminating the latest intelligence in the fluid, agitated pre-Revolutionary War period. The rapid movement of news about the Lexington and Concord battles also marked the committees as a kind of "early warning system" as hostilities advanced on the colonies.

—Beginning in 1811 Samuel Topliff, proprietor of Boston's famous Exchange Coffee House and Reading Room, would row a dinghy out into the swells of Boston harbor to procure news for his reading room from inbound packet ships. Two years later Aaron Smith Willington, editor of the Charleston (S.C.) Courier, began the same practice.

—Between 1827 and 1838 New York City newspapers formed various associations to operate sailing and steam ships in New York harbor to meet inbound transatlantic ships. These newsboats would sometimes cruise as far as 100 miles beyond the Narrows scouting for ships.

—The early 1830s found several New York papers running pony expresses from Washington or Philadelphia into New York with the latest news from the nation's capital.

THE AP WEATHERED the Civil War, emerging as an indispensable news supplier for U.S. daily papers. In the meantime, telegraph lines had been strung throughout the Midwest and the Plains, a few lines penetrating all the way to the Pacific Coast.

Westward migration and this burgeoning telegraphic system led the way to national saturation by the daily newspaper press. Organizations were needed to deliver a daily news report to the most remote regions of the country.

To fill this need, regional Associated Press organizations arose — Western AP, Southern AP, Texas AP, Northwestern AP, Trans-Mississippi AP, and New England AP, for example — all tied together and to the New York AP by news exchange agreements and relying on the New York association for foreign and Washington news dispatches.

Additionally, the post-Civil War period witnessed the rise, again, of competition for AP. The John Hasson News Association appeared in 1869, a service primarily for evening papers or those unable to receive AP news. The Hasson service was renamed the American Press Association in 1871. It assumed the name of the National Associated Press in 1877, and was converted into the United Press in 1882, two years later delivering as complete a news report as AP's. (This is the "old" United Press, not to be confused with E. W. Scripps' United Press Asociations, founded in 1907).

EARLY WIRE SERVICE operation depended heavily upon telegraph companies for delivery of the news report. An employe of the telegraph company received the daily report and handed it over to the local telegraph editor.

These operators received about 40 words per minute, using only a sounding key and sometimes placing an empty can over the sounder to amplify the dot-and-dash code over the din of the newsroom. At first operators took the report down inlonghand, using a crude sprawl that virtually no one but telegraph editors and compositors could read. Later typewriters were used to record the report, leading to greater legibility, if not greater speed.

The AP was the first wire to lease a telegraph line exclusively for its own use. The line was between New York and Washington and went into operation in 1879. Operators on this line were AP employes.

AP leased its second line, New York to Chicago, in 1884, and thereafter wire services rapidly expanded their leased wire networks so that by the turn of the century all but a few pony circuits (as the abbreviated news report services were called) were controlled and operated by wire service personnel.

A quarrel within the ranks of the Western AP and between that organization and the New York AP in 1892 over what relations, if anu, AP should have with its rival, the United Press, led to a breakup of the AP structure that year. As a result, the New York AP ceased to exist, its members joining UP. The Western AP reformed itself as a national Associated Press with headquarters in Chicago and declared war on UP for national dominance.

EACH WIRE RAIDED the other's strongholds, the propaganda on both sides was vicious, and both wires suffered heavy expenses. When the dust settled in 1897, UP was bankrupt and AP could boast of over 700 members.

Three years later AP moved its headquarters to the friendlier legal climate of New York after the Illinois Supreme Court declared AP a public utility, obligated to serve any newspaper desiring its service.

In the meantime three regional wires sprang up to replace the defunct UP: Publishers' Press Assn. in the East, Scripps-McRae Press Assn. in the Midwest, and Scripps News Assn. on the Pacific Coast.

E. W. Scripps, the moving force behind the last two named wires, has been forced to shift for himself because AP would admit to membership only some of the newspapers in his chain. In 1907 Scripps purchased Publishers' Press and combined the three regional wires into United Press Associations.

Two years later another newspaper chain owner, William Randolph Hearst, reorganized his newspapers' service and made a report available to clients. Hearst's morning service was called International News Serice; his evening wire was named National Press Assn. Within two years they were both called INS.

In 1917 Hearst christened Universal Service for morning papers, retaining INS for an evening report, and in 1928 INS once again was moving both an AM and a PM report, Universal having been given the task of handling supolemental and special services for the Hearst organization.

The three major American wire services operating after 1909 continued through two World Wars, the Korean conflict, a Great Depression, and the advent of radio and television up to May 1958 when AP and INS merged to form the present United Press International, under the contro of Scripps-Howard.

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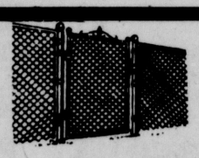
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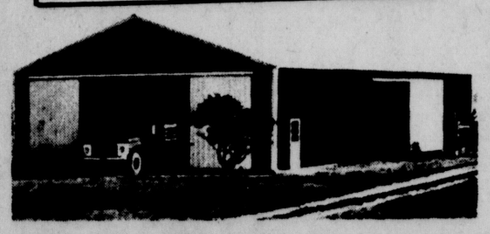
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Jack Barshinger's fourth grade class of Lee Center Elementary School decided to make a replica of the Betsy Ross flag. Mrs. Adeline Jasper and Mrs. Wes Herwig purchased the material and the kids went to work. The class was divided into small groups, each doing their designated jobs. The material was torn into strips for the stripes, which were all sewed together by hand with needle and thread. The stars were cut out and glued on. After the flag was finished, it looked so great the kids decided they would like to see it fly. To make it stronger it was gone over with a sewing machine. It flew with the U.S. Flag at the school for one day and was then taken down and put on display in the classroom. It took Betsy Ross many hours to make the first flag, but these 20 kids spent just five or six hours of art class time, and they are really proud of their flag. (Telegraph Photo)

Story of Titanic refuses to fade away

The great single-event news story refuses to fade into history — despite two world wars and the threat of a third, despite space-age science, despite population explosion. This is the Titanic story, the story of the White Star Line's "unsinkable ship" that went down with the loss of 1,517 lives the night of April 14-15, 1912, when it struck an iceberg. More than half a century later the Titanic makes good reading in any history of journalism. And it doesn't need a 50th, 100th, or other special-affairs anniversary to call it forth from the files.

The Titanic disaster offered all the elements of news in one package — significance and immediacy, conflict, pervasive interest, and all the rest. It came at the close of an optimistic age, when people believed in peaceful worlds and unsinkable ships and were profoundly shocked that an iceberg could destroy an illusion. The story had its mighty impact on readers not yet drugged by repetitions of twentieth century tragedies then still unforeseen.

FOR JOURNALISM, the story was proof of the great enterprise and insight of Managing Editor Carr Van Anda of the New York Times. It was he who saw the potentialities of the disaster as news, who directed the then developing Times staff in its coverage, and who, by his success, established the reliability of the new electronic processes of communication — in the Titanic case the early wireless.

The record is abundantly clear that, except for Van Anda, the other editors in New York that April night believed the White Star Line's propaganda puffs about unsinkability. Wireless reports to the contrary, they hedged on the Titantic calls and played the story carefully. Hadn't the steamship line said that the Titanic safety compartments couldn't be breached"?

Van Anda, however, let the story go. He knew news. He also knew a great deal about science — mathematics, electricity, and iceberg fields. The first report from the ship (COME AT ONCE WE HAVE STRUCK A BERG IT'S CQD OLD MAN POSITION 41-46 N 50-14 W") came at 10:25 p.m. April 12. A little after 2 a.m., when the Titanic's wireless went silent. Van Anda deduced that the ship had gone under. He had the courage to act on his conviction. Developments in the coming hours proved him right.

Without Van Anda's action the story would have unfolded in any case. The New York Sun would have corrected a denial that the ship had sunk but would not have looked ridiculous in doing so. The other newspapers would, in verifying their hesitancy, have been credited with good judgment instead of unsureness. And the story would have had less impact. Many ships had gone down before 1912 and many have gone down since.

NONE MADE news as the Titanic did. Who today, for instance, can make much more than a footnote out of such marine disasters as the Morro Castle's sinking off New Jersey's coast in 1934 or the Andreas Doria off New England in 1956? These carried momentary interest when they happened and tested news enterprise, too.

It was Van Anda, the times, and the combination of circumstances existing in 1912 that put the Titanic into history books.

The news history of the disaster is recorded in most detail in a full chapter in Meyer Berger's "The Story of the New York Times," published in 1951 on the Times 100th anniversary. But that is a house history and some may discount it as Times promotion.

Nevertheless, the Titanic has received extensive reportage in the general histories of journalism. Good undergraduate political histories of the United States likewise will make at least a little room for the story, for the Titanic's loss led a few years later to the United States Congress' passing of legislation aimed to better physical conditions for ships' crews engaged in ocean-going service.

ANY PICTORIAL record of great news pages of the past will carry a fascimile of the Time's Page 1 of April 16, 1912 — the full eight columns devoted to this one tragedy, under a three-line banner and six-column picture of the liner.

The Associated Press made significant changes in its wireless service as a result of the Titanic story. The AP historian, Oliver Gramling, in his account of "AP: The Story of News" notes that after the sinking the press association's board of directors set up an EOS (extra-ordinary occasion service) whereby, when a big story broke, any member could use the AP report even if the story were happening at a time not subscribed for. Before then a morning paper could not use an afternoon report, or vice versa, regardless of the importance of the event.

Gramling unfortunately tells the Titanic story only from an AP-coverage point of view. He does not mention the Times or Van Anda. Not that he had to, but it would have been a generous concession to a member paper for the enterprise it showed.

Call for price stability

KANSAS CITY, Kan. (AP) — Dale Lyons, president of the Kansas Farmers Union, has called for price stability on the farm at fair levels.

In remarks prepared for the Bicentennial Farm Forum '76 sponsored by the Agricultural Hall of Fame and National Center, Lyons called for a minimum of 90 per cent parity in return for abundant all-out production by farmers.

"This can be done by tried and true methods which have been successfully used in the past, Lyon said. "Other areas of agribusiness—the banks, farm suppliers, implement dealers and others—apparently cannot identify their own self-interest or agribusiness would be beating the doors of Congress down to gain stable and fair prices for farmers."

Press long responsive to needs of the people

By EDWIN EMERY

Throughout the history of the United States there has been a newspaper press responsive to the needs and desires of the people. Its triumphs and its failures have been a reflection of the triumphs and the failures of American society; its history as exciting as the 200-year record of the republic. And the variety of that American newspaper—big city daily, village weekly, sleek suburban tabloid, foreign language press, black press, underground press, business press—reflects the varied and changing needs of 200 million Americans.

Two hundred and fifty years ago there were only a half-dozen struggling weekly newspapers in the colonial outposts of Europe that were to become in 1776 the United States of America. There were still only 35 papers, published in 10 of the 13 original colonies, when the Revolutionary War began. Today there are more than 11,000 newspapers in the 50 states, all but 1,774 of them at the pre-Revolution level of publication—once, twice or three times a week. The history of that growth of a nationwide network of community newspapers, tuned usually to the general mass audience but also responsive to segments of the population at times and places the need developed, is simply told.

Patriots like Samuel Adams and Tom Paine used the colonial weeklies to pound home their arguments for independence. Gen. Washington sent out appeals for supplies to be sent his ragged army in Valley Forge through the columns of the revolutionary press. Only 20 or the 35 weeklies of 1776 survived the war; 15 of another 35 which were born during the war were also on hand when peace was problaimed, making a net gain of zero which in chaotic wartime was an amazing feat. The printers, working with battered type and poor quality paper, were important to the national victory, and the readers in the 40,000 homes their papers reached knew their editors were on their side.

Before 1800 there developed two major social and political parties in America. The more conservative citizens coalesced around the figures of George Washington and his talented secretary of the Treasury, Alexander Hamilton. The opposition found Thomas Jefferson to serve as its symbolic champion. Hamilton and Jefferson both found they needed to help create newspapers which would express the viewpoints of their parties. Thus to the older kind of paper, called the mercantile or general press, was added a political party press.

In the first half of the 19th Century, people depended widely on such newspapers for their information: The famed National Intelligencer published in Washington by the conservative-minded partisans; Andrew Jackson's spunky Washington Globe which carried the "Party line" of the new Democratic party to Old Hickory's faithful followers; the more objective and history-filled Niles' Weekly Register. There were 376 newspapers altogether in 1810; by the time of Jackson's election to the presidency in 1828 there were nearly 900, still mostly weeklies.

There were rumblings of dissent, and evidences of the newspaper's ability to meet the needs and desires of special groups of people. The first labor newspapers appeared in 1827-29, with the Free Enquirer of New York, edited by the talented Frances "Fanny" Wright, attracting the most attention. A national trades union movement was just being born, and the printing press was there as a midwife, just as it had served the national birth in 1776. At the same moment, the first newspaper edited by blacks was appearing in New York, Freedom's Journal of 1827, with its famed lines: "We wish to plead our own cause. Too long have others spoken for us." It was followed by Frederick Douglass's North Star in 1847 as black spokesman for Negro freedom, a cause also drawing the fire of William Lloyd Garrison, editor of Boston's abolitionist paper, The Liberator.

But important as these papers were, they did not satisfy the needs and desires of the mainstream of America. The cities were growing, more people were working in stores and factories, there was an audience for newspapers which could identify with the average man and woman. Out of this need arose the modern daily newspaper, called in this initial era the "Penny Press" because it was edited to sell at the lowest possible price. Its goal was to appeal to the widest possible audience, and to attract enough readers to in turn finance itself with advertisements.

People wanted news as well as views, and in that order, the Penny Press editors discovered. They also wanted entertainment; while they wanted to have their paper digest the important national and European news for them, they also wanted to read about an actress stolling down Broadway smoking a cigar and getting arrested or about Andy Jackson's pungent reactions to the social snobbery directed at his wife. Above all, they wanted to read about themselves, about their growing towns and cities, about their chances for business or social advancement, about their schools and city halls and courts. Benjamin Day's New York Sun of 1833 was the first of the great penny dailies, and it significantly was the first American paper to hire a police court reporter.

The cycle of any "new journalism" is familiar. There is a new audience to be served; it is reached in part by emphasis upon emotion and entertainment; it is served by improving the quality of the news and information given it; and it is led by the later-developing columns of opinion and interpretation. James Gordon Bennett and his New York Herald of 1835 set the standard for high quality handling of the important news of the day; Horace Greeley and his New York Tribune of 1841 added the important quality of serious and intelligent interpretation and opinion-giving. Greeley sought to solve the recurring problem of depression-and-inflation and the great human problem of Negro slavery. He made more impact on the latter problem.

His weekly edition went by mail to 200,000 readers throughout rural America at the opening of the Civil War, and its editor was as influential as any politician in reaching people's minds. By the time Henry J. Raymond founded the New York Times in 1851 the people were being well served by the Penny Press.

The true genius of American journalism lay not so much in creating such nationally known newspapers as the Herald, the Tribune, and the Times, however. It rather lay in the building of an ever-expanding network of newspapers, large and small, daily and weekly, across an ever-expanding country. During the decade of the 1860s, which included the Civil War with its exciting news but also its turmoil, American newspapers increased in number by one third, to 4,500. This meant that the United States at that moment had more than one third of all the newspapers in the world and three times as many as Great Britain, the "mother country" of just a century before.

By 1900 the grand total of American newspapers reached an astounding 14,000, as weekly newspapers tripled in number between 1870 and 1900 to pass the 12,000 mark and dailies quadrupled to approach 2,000. Journalism historian Frank Luther Mott reports that in the 1870's every village of 1,000 population had at least two weekly newspapers.

Thus the familiar story—the preacher, the teacher, and the editor reached the frontier town in concert with the saloon keeper. During the late 19th century the influence of the political press still was strong, and soon there were two editors, one Republican and one Democrat, in every town. In communities large enough to support them there were also "faction" papers edited by dissident members of the two great political parties. The needs and desires of the people were not always served by an excessive number of politically-oriented papers, however, and early in the 20th century the trend toward general community-oriented weeklies and smaller dailies became apparent.

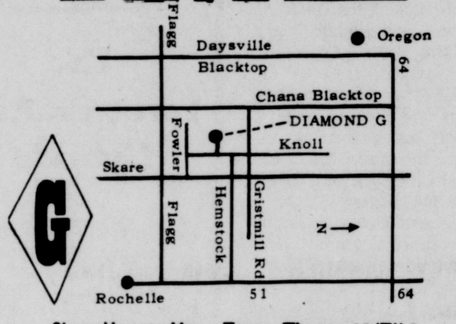
Growing costs of production stemming from new mechanical printing processes and rising labor costs spurred the process of consolidation of newspapers. Readership rose—for dailies to 15 million copies daily by 1900 and to 63 million by 1974—despite a gradual decline in the gross number of newspapers. When people moved from the countryside into the cities, and created vast suburgan areas, the press responded with a new network of suburban weeklies and dailies meeting the community news needs of modern America.

Behind these statistics was the story of the amazing transformation of the United States between the close of the Civil War and 1900. Using vas national resources and the new machines fo the industrial revolution, America's dynamic capitalism exploded in a socioeconomic revolution that spawned new cities and towns. By 1900 two thirds of Americans were working away from the land, and urbanization was in full swing.

Obviously a "new journalism" would emerge for this new society. Again, as in the Penny Press period, there was a new audience: More people were interested in reading; the labor class had increased rapidly; and there was a heavy concentration of immigrant population in the eastern cities as well as upon the western farmlands. In 1890, New York City had a population which was 80 per cent foreign-born or of foreign parentage. Such readers, stirred by political and social unrest in a period when reform movements sought to readjust the economic balance to bring relief to the farmer and the worker, looked for "people's champions" in their newspapers. They found editors who gave them aggressive editorials and who crusaded for them. But these readers also wanted impartial and thorough coverage of the news. The newspaper which appealed to them was also low-priced, easily read, popularized in content, and bright in appearance. As illustrations, cartoons, and comics came into vogue, these readers wanted them. Particularly in the big cities the entertainment ingredient had to be high.

Joseph Pulitzer serves as the symbol of the new journalism era of the 1880s and 1890s— and indeed, his own contemporaries, referred to "Joseph Pulitzer's New Journalism" in their trade journals. He developed in St. Louis a community-oriented daily named the Post-Dispatch which is still famed for its enterprise; then in 1883 he entered New York journalism by purchasing the New York World.

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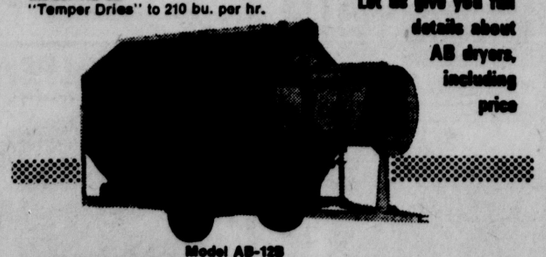
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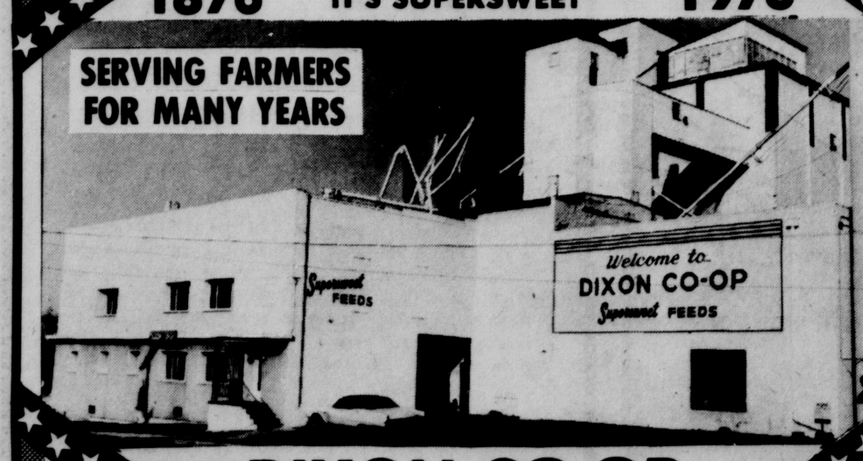
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By CALDER M. PICKETT

When Joseph Pulitzer, that Hungarian immigrant who became a virtual symbol of the mass press of the late 19th Century, arrived in America during the Civil War he saw what was still a near-rural society. There were no transcontinental railroads, no telephones, no wireless, no electric lights, no trolly cars and no skyscrapers.

He entered St. Louis journalism in the 1870s and purchased The World from Jay Gould in 1883. By the 1890s, when he and William Randolph Hearst embarked upon their celebrated circulation wars, all these things had become part of the American scene. Where, 50 years before, they would have had occasioned wonderment, they were taken for granted in the glittering new civilization of the late 19th Century.

Looking at the mechanical revolution of Pulitzer's time is a way to view the technology of American journalism in the Gilded Age. Earlier developments in the printing press and the telegraph had begun to alter American newspapers shortly after the war. Now, as populations soared and skylines advanced, even greater technological developments came about, all in time for the gusty newspaper battles of the '90's and the sensationalism of the giant papers with their many pages and their high circulations.

MOST IMPORTANT of these new developments were those that took place in printing presses and typesetting machines. In April of 1863 William Bullock had installed in the plant of the Philadelphia Inquirer a press that utilized not only the continuous sheet of paper called the "web" but also printed both sides of a four-page newspaper in the course of operation. This press needed improvements, and by 1870 it had them, so that it could print 8,000 to 10,000 newspapers an hour.

The pioneer firm of R. Hoe & Company had been working for similar improvements and the "first roll-fed continuous-printing rotary press with gathering and delivering cylinder" came out in 1871. This press was placed in the New York-Tribune plant of Whitelaw Reid. Next came a folder attachment from the Hoe factory, and carrier boys were relieved of the task of folding the newspapers themselves.

Such developments caused daily circulations to climb. There then came another development from Hoe — the "double-perfecting" or "four-page-wide" press, which was essentially the equivalent of two presses in one. On such a press the Philadelphia Times was able to deliver 15,000 eight-page newspapers an hour.

Bigger presses followed; look at the huge newspapers of the '90s, with special sections and many pages, and compare them with the relatively small newspapers of a decade or so earlier. A type-revolving press from Hoe, installed in the plant of the New York Commercial Advertiser in 1880, was able to print 10,000 to 20,000 eight-page papers an hour. The "fudge-box" came in the 1890's — a small auxiliary cylinder with slots for the insertion of type, able to print late news in a space left blank on the paper.

BEFORE PULITZER arrived on the New York scene, the leader in journalism in the metropolis had been the New York Herald. It was in the Herald plant, in 1882, that Hoe installed a double-supplement web press. This had a "triangular former," a steel plate over which the web of newsprint passed before entering the folding rollers, making the task of collecting and folding simpler, and "turning bars," which turned webs from their original path and directed them into a single folder.

Even this press proved unable to do a big enough task, for the volume of advertising, as well as news, was increasing. Needs of newspapers continued to force changes in presses, and it was Pulitzer's World that obtained, in 1887, the Hoe "quadruple" press, which had equipment equal to four two-page-wide presses. It was able to print 24,000 16-page papers, or 12,000 20- to 32-page papers an hour. And still more — in 1889 Hoe developed a "sextruple" press, the equivalent of three "double-perfecting" presses with six four-page-wide cylinders.

The next of these giants, with cylinders arranged in two or three decks, could turn out 48,000 12-page papers or 12,000 48-page papers an hour. The "octuple" press of 1895, with eight four-page-wide cylinders could produce 24,000 32-page papers or 12,000 64-page papers an hour. It's not surprising that there followed the "decuple," "double sextule" and "double octuple" presses by the early 20th century.

The story of the printing press seems overwhelming, as one thinks back to the early-day hand presses, one of which had been in the plant of the New York Evening Post as late as 1850, and even to the early steam presses. Look at what was happening in newspaper circulations. This was the competition Adolph Ochs faced when he came to New York in 1896 to take over a slumping newspaper.

Evening World, 400,000 circulation; Morning Journal, 300,000; Morning World, 200,000; News, 145,000; Herald 140,000; Evening Journal, 130,000; Morning Sun, 70,000; Evening Sun, 60,000, and so on right down to Ochs' poor Times, with its mere 9,000. Big presses had helped to make such a circulation climb possible; big presses and other factors.

In Europe two men named F. G. Keller and Henry Voelter had invented a mid-century, a process that made ground wood-pulp available for paper manufacture. The inovation was brought to America in 1866-67 by the Pagenstecher brothers. Paper fabrication thus moved from the handicraft stage and raw material was supplied for large-scale production of paper.

AS FOR newsprint, inventions by 1880 made possible the production of newsprint at 200 feet a minute. By the mid-1898s the production had become 500 feet a minute. Newsprint consumption in the 1880s and 1890s was comparable to the increase in newspaper circulation — 934,000 tons in 1889 and 2,167,000 tons in 1899. Inventions had made possible a much lower price in newsprint, which declined from 6.9 cents a pound in 1880 to 1.8-2.8 cents in 1900.

Stereotyping, too, had become an aid to the publishers of newspapers, who could not have had their history-making rotary presses without stereotyping. There had been stereotyping, or the making of metal plates for printing, since fairly early in the 18th century, and curved stereotype plates had been made in London as early as 1816.

Stereotyping revolutionized advertising as well as revolutionizing the press, for it made whole pages rather than single columns in the handling of advertising. Headlines, too, changed from the common single column head to the multi-column banner line of the 1890s.

A history of stereotyping reveals the tremendous growth of the craft. Prior to 1840 there had been but two patents, in the 1840s there also were but two. In the 1850s there were 11; in the 1860s there were 18; in the 1870s there were 60; and in the 1880s there were 163. These consisted of numerous refinements on electrotyping and papier-mache production. Solid stereotyped plates helped to speed up the production of newspapers and made possible the big new presses.

The list of these persons who improved on stereotyping is a long one, but these were some of the developments of the process in the '80's and '90's:

—William S. Whitmore, 1881 — a new composite mat that had greater plasticity, toughness and economy, requiring but one layer of pulp.

—George Damon and Elias Peets, 1888 — a metal-faced mat with a papier-mache backing.

—Charles M. Gage, 1888 — a non-elastic matrix that, Gage said, permitted a perfect impression for an indefinite time.

—Walter B. Carr and Augustus G. French, 1892 — a invention that would dry a wet mat without heating the type.

—Louis G. Timroth, 1896 — a chemical paste to do away with the familiar drawback of the wet mat.

—Charles A. Skene, 1884 — a process to obtain stereotype plates for printing purposes directly from matrices made by telegraph or typewriting machines.

—Ferdinand Wesel, 1890 — a dry mat method that received fuller development after the turn of the century.

The 1890's brought to the newspaper an innovation that has become highly common in the 1960's — color, especially color in the garishly sensational Sunday magazines and in the comic strips that started with "The Yellow Kid." Sunday newspapers had been established both because of mechanical developments and more relaxed attitudes towards religion, and the Sunday newspapers of the '90's — especially those of Hearst and Pulitzer — needed color to boost their circulations.

IN APRIL 1892 Walter Scott & Co. installed the first four-color rotary press in the plant of the Chicago Inter-Ocean. The following year the firm paced a five-color press in the plant of the New York World Hoe & Co. put a multicolor rotary press in the New York Recorder office in 1893, and then built similar machines for the New York Herald and the World. Hearst got into the color business when he arrived on the New York Journal in 1895, first with a five-color press from Scott and then another from Hoe.

The Journal of April 27, 1897, was the first daily newspaper in America printed in two colors; the occasion was the dedication of Grant's Tomb. Comic and magazine sections were the chief task of the color presses, which could operate at speeds of 12,000 to 14,000 copies an hour.

The 1890's also brought electric power to the press, even though pioneering, but unsuccessful, efforts in electric power were made in both this country and Great Britain in the previous decade. William Randolph Hearst, whose vision of mechanics and the press was always a mightly one, had an employee work on a motor-driven printing machine, and he finally developed it in 1896.

SO THE newspaper in America boomed largely because of mechanical innovations. But a complete triumph for the press in the growing age of big business could not be possible until a typesetting machine could be invented. This had seemed an insurmountable obstacle. Printers still worked laboriously at their type cases, able to compose a newspaper of no more than four or eight pages, or possibly 15 pages if the editors felt extravagant. This is Thomas Dreier's depiction of the typical large city daily compositor and his routine in the period prior to the typesetting machine.

"He ambles in any time between noon and three in the afternotn, divests himself of his coat, rolls up his sleeves, dons his apron, slips into a pair of old easy shoes and lights his pipe. He is in no hurry. No one is. He then proceeds leisurely to paste up his dupes' — duplicate proofs of the type he had set the night before — which constitute vouchers for his pay. He then devotes two hours or more to the task of filling his cases by distributing into them the type he set on the preceding night."

"By now it is five-thirty or six o'clock — time for supper. Off with the apron and the old shoes. Out to a restaurant. Back in an hour to put on the old shoes and the apron. Four to five single hours have already been spent and not a single bit of constructive work done. The compositor is getting ready.

"After supper composition actually begins. It will continue for six, seven, or possibly eight hours, broken only by a hasty lunch just before midnight."

SUCH A picture may be slightly extravagant, but it indicates the hardship under which a compositor had to operate. For the task of setting type had not changed materially since Gutenberg. The method was still about the same. The worker had to pick out individual pieces of type out of boxes, set them in lines, justify the lines, make them up in a form, put them on a press, take the forms out of the press after printing, unlock them from the chase, and distribute them in the cases. The average compositor had to set from 800 to 1,000 picas of type, or from 64 to 80 lines, an hour.

For years inventors and newspapermen had looked for a typesetter that would do the work for them. Many had experimented including an inventor who brought forth the Paige patent into which Mark Twain pumped $190,000, a machine that could do everything, said the humorist, but drink, swear and go on strike. There had been more than 40 patents granted by 1880, but not one device had proved adaptable for the needs of publishing.

The breakthrough was the Linotype, the invention which, in the words of Thomas Dreier, "meant more and that still means more to printers and publisher than any other single invention since the introduction of movable types . . ." Behind the Linotype was a Washington court stenographer named James O. Clephane and a Baltimore workman named Ottmar Mergenthaler.

Their Linotype borrowed from the stereotyping process; each matrix a mold for a single character. Each line was assembled from a keyboard, and distribution was automatic. The Mergenthaler model came out in the summer of 1877, a machine with two cylinders, of both Roman and italic characters. The keys in their decent struck Roman characters, and by use of a shift key as on a typewriter, the italics appeared. But the machine needed speed, and it received it in the now-celebrated model of 1886.

THIS WAS another historic year in newspaper inventions. On July 3, 1886, in the composing room of the New York Tribune, the Linotype was demonstrated successfully. This was the true forerunner of today's typecasting machines. There was a metal pot for casting slugs. Characters on the matrix were indented instead of raised. When a line of matrices was assembled and justified, the mechanism brought a sliding mold against it. A metal pot then forced molten metal through the machine.

Three newspapers had cooperated on backing the Linotype at the Tribune, the Chicago Daily News and the Louisville Courier Journal. In 1887 the manufacturers produced 55 Linotypes, 304 by the end of 1891 and 3,126 by 1895. Soon newspaper plants were installing this remarkable new machine, and the Linotype proved to be the new giant of newspaper technology. Like the new presses it appeared just in time for yellow journalism and the circulation wars — but also in time for excellent newspapers like the New York Times of Adolph Ochs and the World — after Pulitzer recovered from his temporary loss of reason in the circulation war with Hearst.

MANY DECADES before, Henry J. Raymond, who founded the New York Times, had spoken, in an address before alumni of the University of Vermont, of printing and its meaning to the modern world. These were some of his words.

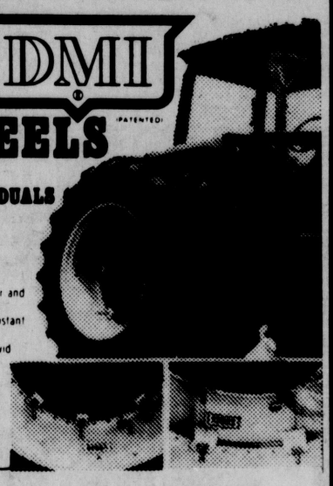
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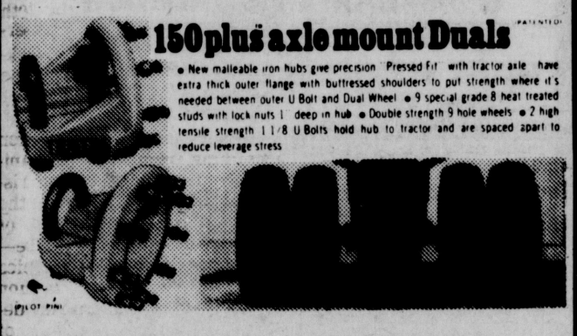
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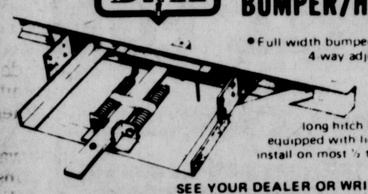


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Day-by-day journal of an early area farmer

(Editor's Note: Thomas Page was one of the first farmers to settle in the area. He farmed more than 100 acres of land along the Rock River, just north of what is now the Forest Park Subdivision. The farm was partially in Lee County and partially in Ogle County. The following is a verbatim report of a journal kept by Page on his farming operation.)

Thomas Page's Farming Book commencing March 4, 1844:

1844— April 30, I planted my young trees in my garden on Rock river that I brought from Chicago; May 7th, I commenced to plow in my field; 11th, I sowed my sheld—Barley also the Manafat peas; 18th I commens' a gardening in my field; 21st sowed more seeds—sowed oats also— red and white clover— Troyfod and Rye grass sow; 25th, George Carey commens'a to work for me first job fixing log building 3 quarters of day

1844 Brought Forward— May 27th, Geo Carey day plowing out rows for corn; 28th, Geo Carey one day planting corn; 24th Cate was covered by the great corn planter; 31st, Wm Richard assisted in planting corn nearly 2 days; June 1st, finished planting potatoes; 3d, Planted Broom corn seed; 6th, Finsihed sowing my Fodder Oats, Cut of the Bull matings at Dayo; 4, I sheared Mr. Wm. Richards sheep 17 in all

1844 Brought Forward— June 8, Planted 1 peck of white beans; 11th, Planted young locust on the ditch bottom of my field; 10th, Planted but onions; 17th, Brown was covered by ? Miler Horse, Planted locust seed verry much molded from been soked so long; 19th, Planted locust seed in the North west corner of my field in good order soked about 24 hours

1844 Brought Forward— June 27th, Let out Beet plants and sweet turnips; 30th, Set out mellon plants; 29th, Up ared the North west corner ditch fence in my field, Finished cleaning and fixing up my Nursery and garden on the River; July 4th, Finished getting off the bark and fixing up my two log building and all the spare logs laying round do, Plowed and moulded up part of my potatoes

1844 Brought Forward— July 8, Finish plowing up my Potatoes; 11th Comms'd to plowing corn in my field; 9th, My hay Rack made over at Dayo, I cradled part of day of Rye for Mr. Dayo; 12th, Sowed my Buck wheat; 13th Plowed up my broom corn and plowed round my garden in the field and sowed it with turnip seed; July 21st, I gathered my first sowed Manafat Peas green full ripe—ten; 15, Wheat harvest all ready to commence cut; 29th Drawing wheat for Deyo's; 30th, ¼ day for D?; 31st, I commens'd mowing wheat in Mr. or Wm Charters field. I taks all; Aug. 2, ½ day drawing wheat from the field to Wm. Charters barn for do

1844— Augst 3, cut hay to cover my wheat stack day— at the same time cut my Manafat peas in the field; 6th, George Carey came to work for me at 1 Dollar for day. I commens'd making wheat stack 10 load wheat, 1 load barley and Manafat pea and 2 loads hay in do; 7, Michel Adams and Tawl? Smith fetched my sow to Adams and are to pay one 5½ dollars worth in wheat as soon as soon as he furnishes it; 8th, Mr. Franks come and Brought home fruit trees for me

1844 Brought Forward— August 10th, George Carey worked for me 5 days from the 6th to the 10th at one dollar per day; 11th, I took Charter's little puppee to Deyo's to be kept until I went to Chicago a present for my Son; 14th Hoye Deyo came to worke for me in 2 days, getting 10 loads wheat from Charter's field and cocking up Hay 2 loads as hay 2nd wheate stack made two days do

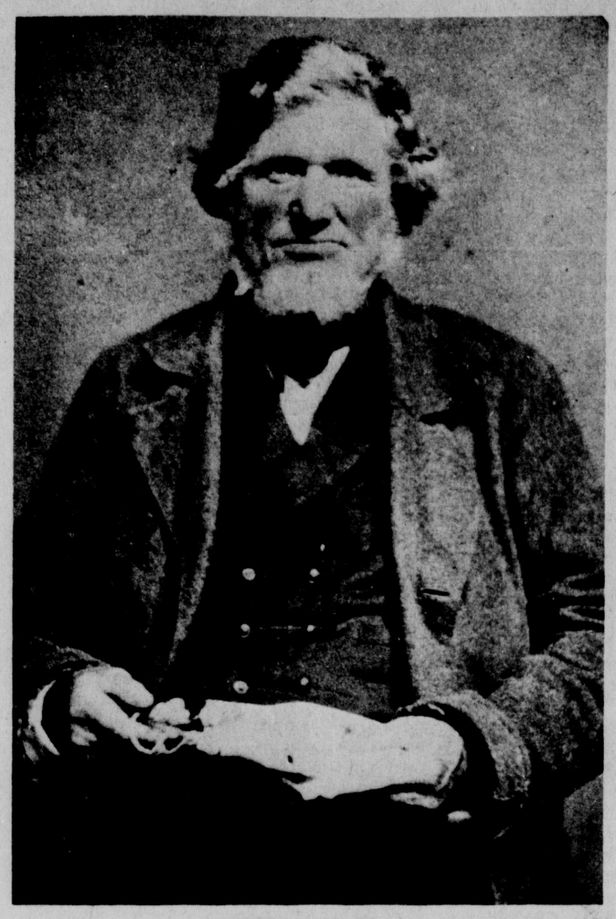
1844 Brought Forward— Aug. 24, George Carey worked 5 day from the 19th to the 24 at ? per day 75; 17th, cut my first sowed oats; 24th, do my late do to do, Gave George Carey 1 pare of old boots for cut boore pig no at Wilcocks; 25th, Paid Iram Deyo for 2 day work— In 50?; 22nd, Got up the first potatoes in my field good; 28th, Finished drawing my first sowed oats and allso the last do 31st, George Carey 6 days work from the 26th to the 31st at 75 cts per day. $4.40

1844 Brought Forward— Sept. 4th, Mitchel Adams 1 day drawing 6 loads hay for the 3rd stack; 5th, Assisted to top of 2 loads hay and draw 1 load to the house; 6th, do 1 load wheat he assisted to load and unload 17 dos at $3.00 charged me for do $2.50 now coming to me; I assisted him with self and team part of day, I sowed my Rye; 2nd, Brown took Mr. Shelabor colt; 24th, I covered my log stable with straw and hay Frank March assisted me with load straw and load hay

1844 Brought Forward— Sept. 27 and 28th and 29th, I commenced to my winter wheat and finished on the 30th Sept. in the corn; 20th, I cut my buck wheat; Oct. 4th, I commensed to get up my potatoes in the field and finished on the 5th Frank March assisted me 1½ days, I assisted Marches folks to get up their potatoes 2 days; 1st, I gathered some black locust seed at Doc Everet Dixon; 12th, I finished harvesting my buck wheat and thrashing it

1844 Brought Forward— Oct. 11th, I thrashed the load of wheat I got from Michel Adams towards paying me for hogs 8 bushel, Sanford Dayo helped me 2 days threshing wheat and buck wheat in Charter's barne; 7, I plowed part of my buck wheat ground all the at do; 16, I cleaned 8 bushesl wheat 12 bushels buck wheat at Mr Dayo; 18th, I took 6 bushels wheat and 2 buck wheat sold corn to B. Mile; 23d, Mr. March assisted me to plow round my Prarie field with his Oxen; 26th, Finished my fall plowing, Dannel Coons helped me to burn round my field

1844 Brought Forward— Oct. 26, I commensed to cut part of my hay stack over the Oates for my horses, I set in post and rails round my stacks in the field; 28 & 29, Fist my yard for the cattle; Nov. 1st, March assited me in plowing round my garden and logbuilding on the River Farme with my team only; 5th, I commensed gathering my corn. Mr. or WM. Coons assisted me three days finished on the 8th in all 150 bushels in the Gear; 9, I went to Boardmans Mile for Buck wheat flower 4 bushels



THOMAS PAGE



MRS. THOMAS PAGE

1844 Brought Forward— Nov. 11th, I fetched my pig from Wilcooks what I traded with George Carey and got my poor puppey nearly killed by him; 9th, I drawed 1 load of Manure for Coons from Davis to put on is stacks potatoes in field; 11th, I got from March 24 raisl to make hog pen; 14th, Sam Charters assisted me to raise my shead ½ day; 16, 2 loads straw from Smith to cover my shead. Tall Smith helped me to load; 18th Davis helped me to load. 1 load straw from Smith

1844 Brought Forward— Nov. 19th, Coons March and myself burned the prarie on the west side my prarie field; 20th, I fetched from my log building square timber to fix back part of my shead, I burned round my log buildings on River farm; 22nd, Sam Charters helped me in fixing up the back part of shead on Horney's plase and making rack for do; 23, Rock River nearly froze over a very very cold ngt; 24, I white wash cellor and fetch in Herneys house and fixt it to live in

1844 Brought Forward— Nov. 30th, I finished my shead and log buiding at the end of wheat and thrashing flore and all the fixing round the yard Etc.; Dec. 1st, I fetched my cattle home from Dayo's one haefer missing— I brought home my haifer's 2 cows and Bull have 10 in all; Nov. 25, I moved down in the sellor kitchen to sleep and live all together; Dec. 12, I cut out of the ice at the mouth of creek a frost ate canoo

Brought Forward— Dec. 12, Frank March helped me to drag it to shore; 13 & 14, I was helping Charters to thrash oats with my horses and the dtraw for my cattle 2 loads; 16th, M. Carley, Sugar Grove House my two mares and fixed them good for the frost and charged for do— $11.00, At the same time I traded with him for culltivater drag for corn— 3 bushes; 16th, Rock River Forse over on Monday night, Dec. 16th-18th; 18th, My dum cow calved on Tuesday night on Wednesday morning with cow calf— carried on

1844 Brought Forward— Dec. 21, Friday night or Saturday morning poor Doll cast her fole with mare colt; 24, Black cow calfed on Tuesday morning; Jan. 3, Paid Wm. Carley for corn cultivator— 3 bushels corn; 6th, Monday Morning I left for Chicago and carried 13 hundred and 64 lbs of wheat for Wm. Onell and arrived at Chicago on Thursday evening, Mr. Oniall carried a load back for me in return

1845 Brought Forward— Jan. 15th, I left Chicago for Rock River and arrived at do Monday evening 20th, Frank March took care of my stock while I was away at 1$ per week; 24th, Wm. Deyo helped me to draw 3 loads straw from Hutton's field; 25th, I helped Coons 1 day drawing rails from the old house up to the prarie; Febr. 15, I found my lost heifers at Peeks opposite Gees Grove on the Galena Road. She has been there since last April 1844. I promised to give him one load of fodder

1845 Brought Forward— March 5th, I gave Mr. Peek 1 load of hay for keeping my lost haifer; 9, Black short tailed haifer calved near Charter's; 11, I killed my fat pig. George Carey sent Wm. Richards to assit me and Mr. Deyo and two of his sons came also to assist me in the above work; March fetched his rails that was round the hog pen that morning; 16th, Red and white spotted haifer caved; 20th George Carey came to worke for me 3 days to the 22nd

1845 Brought Forward— Mch. 21st, Wm. Deyo ad 1 loade of hay; 22nd, 47 bushels oats I thrashed with the horses in my field the balance I fed out to the horses and cattle in the straw; 17th, I commensed plowing in my field and Wm. Charter's also and was very dry considering so early in the season; 24th, To 8 bushels spring wheat from Mr. Horne at 45 cts for B and and 3 bushels barley at 31 cts for bushels $4. 53 all to sow this spring

1845 Brought Forward— Mar. 24th, I burned round the fraction in the bottom agoining the creek; 25th The fire went through my timber and liked to burned up the log buildings and nearby had the logs that was lying round finished do; Apl 2nd I sowed 3 bushels spring wheat in Mr. Charters field; 3d, I commensed to plow my cornstawks ground for spring wheat etc; 5th, Finished do

1845 Brought Forward— Apl. 21st, Finished sowing wheat in Wm. Charters field 3 pecks; 22, My last haifer calf'd. 5 haifers calves and 1 bull do— 7 in all, one calve dead and 3 barren haifers; 25th, cate fold Friday night about 10 o'clock a beautiful black horse colt in good health; May 3d, Finished sowing oats in Wm. Charters field 28 Bushels; 2nd, Sowed 3 bushels barley in do; 9th, Sowed I planted my first piece of corn with manure about 1¼ acres

1845 Brought Forward— May 12th, I planted my second piece of corn ajoining my garden at the same time some potatoes ajoining do; 13th, I engaged Mr. Rogers to help me to do my thrashing at 3 per day 5 days he helped me—15; George Carey helped me 1 day to thrash; 17th, I cleaned up my wheat—18 bushel of best do; 14th, I planted my corn the 2nd time on the manure land, Sarah Kearn and my son came from Chicago; 21, I planted nearly all my potatoes

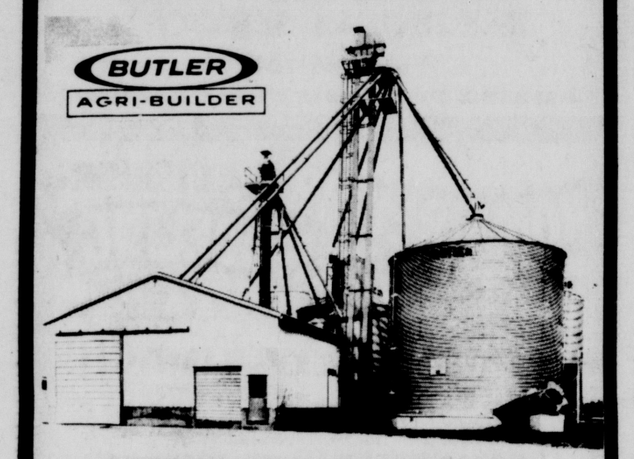
1845 Brought Forward— May 25, I took my wheat to boardmans Mill 17 bushels 4 hundred and 90 lbs. flower from do; 22nd, Mr. Dayo and Mr. Davis and myself agreed with Mr. Coets or Coe to hut our Maries to his stud horse at $3.00 cash and hay in grain no colt no hay that is the bargin; 23d, I went to Grand detoure to have my plow fixt; 27th, Mr. Ague he p'd me half day to rig up my plow for breaking and trying do; 31st, I built my wagon shead, I planted my geallow locust seed in the garden in the field; 24, I planted nearley all my garden seeds—seed turnifers; June 1st, 2 hens set with davis eggs; 9th, White face black cow took one of Diney's bull; 11, The long leged black haifer white tail took bull some tomatto plants I got from Wm. Charters

1845 Brought Forward— June 11th, I commenced plowing corn; 14th, Cate took the young messeppa at Mr. Davies; 15, I fetched Mr. Deney breaking plow from Conners; 16, I took the breaking plow to Dixon to have it fixt and I paid 5 shilings for do, George Carey came to help me to break prarie in my field 2½ days—from Monday to noon on Wednesday, Ira Coons assisted me commensing this day— Mr. Coones helped me part of this day

1845 Brought Forward— June 18th, Mr. Coones ad my mare to plow his corn 3 days— she boarded with me at the same time, George Foot help'd me to break prarie ½ day; 19, Frances March commensed to drive plow for me at 37½ cents per day; 20th, My dunn cow took Duneys bool and he has promised me I shall keep hime for next year; 23, The red and white spotted haifer took the bool Sulton; 25, I finished cross plowing 4 acres in my field; 26, Doc took the horse; 28, I finished breaking prarie in my field

1845 Brought Forward— June 28, Mr. Heigh helpsed me to plow in my field— 4 days at per day, I ad Coons oxen 2 yoke to help me to break prarie in my field 7½ days at 25 cts per yoke per day $3. 75; 28, At night my sow piged on the timber with 11 pigs and 2 of them was dead; 30th, I commensed plowing in Charters field for buck wheat; 23d, My white face haifer calf died through been hurt by Pat Igens ox; 30, The spotted haifer finished planting potatoes— 3 long rows in the field; 6 & 7, Finished plowing my garden and triming my peach trees on the River farme; 2nd, I set out

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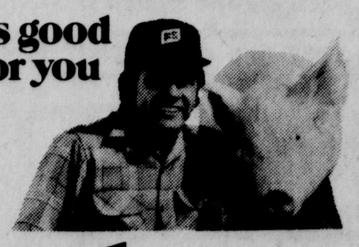
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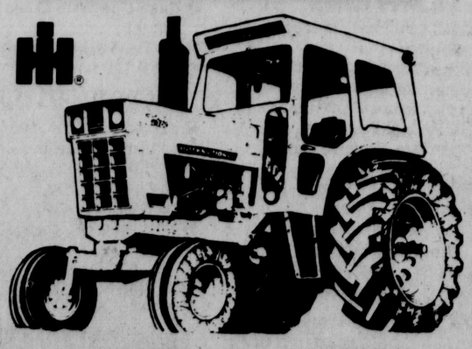
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1845 Brought Forward— July 4th, Mr Coons ad Cate to plow corn ½ day Friday and Saturday and boarded with us at same time; 5th, I sowed buck wheat in Wm. Charters field; 3d, Mr. March ad is wheat cut by coons; 7, I cut my rye, Mr. Coons ad Doll to plow corn 1 day and board him the same time; 14th, John Heliher come to live with us at 8 dollars per month; 21st, I commenced to cut wheat; 19th, My wife arrived at Carney house on Saturday morning from Chicago and John

1845 Brought Forward— July 24, I borrowed Rags cradle; 21st, I fixt my new stack yard; 26, Same cradled ½ day in wheat in his field; 24, I commensed cradling wheat in Charter's field and my wife raked after me all day and John binded; 29 30th, 1st, George Carey and Richards worked for me 3 days raking and bindding wheat Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday; 4th, Mr. Heigh worked for me 2 days making stacks; 5, Same Charters helpt me to draw oats 1 day; 2nd, Saturday night Brown fold and Sunday night colt died— a beautiful horn colt

1845 Brought Forward— Aug. 8th, Finsihed grain harvest, My team help Charters part of day drawing oats; 9th, I commensed cutting hay; 7, Bet took the boar— Coons long leg do allso the young guilt; 16th, the young white sow took Charters boar; 11th, I took brown and doll to the stud horse at Gtand Deoutr. Mr. Horton refused to put the horse to the mares; sept. 5th, I finsihed haying; 1, Harrowing 2 days on the new breaking

1845 Brought Forward— Sept. 8th, I commensed polowing the hweat stuble for wheat again— finished 12th; 15th, I commenced sowing wheat; 6th, John was taken sick with the ague— he commensed to work on the 15th; 8th, I got from Mr. Rags 10 bushels of seed wheat at 50 cts. per bushel not pd for at the same time some flower; 7, To 2 bushels wheat from shellabore to sow in my corn from black John; 19th, Porter at Dixon cut the hooks out of Dolls eye and charged 50 cts., I finished sowing wheat and rye. I got from Mr. Deyo 1½ bushels rye to sow to 1 bushels wheat from Jacob Deyo to do

1845 Brought Forward— Sept. 19, I took to thrash in Charters barn 14 Doz bundles oats and 7 bushels do; 21, I was taken sick with billows fever and was confined to my bed 8 days— Doc made 4 journeys to me; 26th, My dear wife arrived from Chicago by stage; 29th, Mr. Deyo ad my wagon to take wheat to Chicago; Oct. 3, Charters broken fork mended and taken home by John; 13th, John commensed cutting buck wheat in Charters field; 14, Mr. Deyo and 3 sons came and got up 26 bushels in my field and finished the balance on the 17th

1845 Brought Forward— Oct. 22, I drawed my buck wheat to Mr. Deyo 2 loads and thrashed it the same day and 1 do to Charters, Mr Deyo and son drawed 1 load and helpt to load the balance; 23d, I harrowed the buck wheat ground for Charters, My wife commenced huskin corn and finished on the 24th; 20th, John Heliker left us and went to Charters; 25, I plowed round my field house logs and garden, George Carey helpt me in part; 27 & 28, George Carey in fixing sheds 2 days

1845 Brought Forward— Nov. 10th, I got up my young English Authorne in my garden; 11th, Mr. Deyo and Jacob his son kild my stag; 13th & 14, I commenced my road work on March Hill; 13, I sold to Jeremiah Badsley the hola horse for $20 worth of corn at market price at Dixon and $10 dollars to be paid in work at 50 cts pr day; 19th, Jeremiah Badsley and Jacob Deyo commensed working at my cellor removing logs off the do and commenced digen on the 20— 1½ days work

Nov 1845— Squaring stone ½ day; 21st, At noon on Friday Jacob Deyo commenced walling up the cellor. I drawed the first day 8 loads stone; 22nd, 2nd days 7 do and Badsley 7 do; 23d, Badsley and Sarah signed the 2 notes Sunday morning and Jacob Deyo was witness to the said signing; 24, Coons white spotted sow to my young boar; 25, Jacob Dayo work in my cellor building wall 2 days to making rails and fixing hog pen ¾ day; 26th Rock River frozen over; 20, I shot 1 wild goose on March field weighing 10 lbs.; 28, I shot on the creek 6 big ducks weight 15 lbs.

1845 Brought Forward— Dec. 1, The spotted sow I got from George Carey took my best boar; 2nd, Mrs. Heigh ad 4 lbs. tallow; 8th, I got from Patrick higgens 1 sow and 4 sow pigw worth 10 dollars, I saw Mr. March fetch home from Shelabore land ½ cord wood; 5, I got from Loveland barn load ky straw; 12th, 1 load oats straw from Loveland barn; 13, 1 do wheat straw, 2 bushels oats from Mr. Deyo; 10th To 25 bushel corn from Jeremiah Badsley

1845 Brought Forward— Dec. 15, George Carey took care of my things for 3¼ days the while I was at Beloit and cut down 4 saw logs; 20th, George Carey 2 days more cutting logs and fire wood; 29th, Jacob Deyo commensed working at the celler 3 days and cutting logs; Jan. 2nd, Getting stone ½ days 1 days; 3, cutting house logs, Herman Davis commensed to work for us to fixing shed and cutting house logs, To 26 bushel corn from Jeremiah Badsley; 5th, Jeremiah Badsley 26 bushels corn; 6th, Do to 23 do— Badsley as delivered 100 bushels corn in part of payment for the horse according to contract

1856 Brought Forward— Jan. 5th & 6, Jeremiah Badsley 3 days and Moses Ell ore ¾ day 40 cts; 7th, Due to Jeremiah Badsley $41.90 for work to this date; 10, 1 load straw from Deyos, I killed pat sow weight 217¾ lbs.; 9, Finished drawing the house logs; 7th, commensed raising the log barn; 15, George Carey 1 days raising log building; Mr. Heigh 1 day do; 16, To 1 load straw Deyo; 19th & 20, I drawed the old log house off March land; Jan. 29th, Rock River brook up and the ice commenced to run; Febr. 2nd, I commenced to thrash my fall wheat with the horses; 6th, Herman and Sarah went to Wisconsin; 7th, 16 bushels wheat ground at Boardman mill— 10 bushels flower; 6th, I exchanged boor pigs with George foot, Lord and Messer setting 2 shoes on cate— 20; 7, My young berkshire sow took the boor; 14th, Sarah and Herman returned from Wisconsin

1856 Brought Forward— Febr. 23d, I delivered at Mr. Sanford sawmill 1 white oaktree to make slead runers on at the same time 1 do do to make boards on; 25th, My berkshire sow took my white chinaboor, the barney cow calved— the calve dead; March 2nd, Finished thrashing my first oat stack 60½ bushels; 1st, Carey black and white sow took Charters Berkshire boar; 2nd, Barney cleaned, Rock River has been forzen over for some days; 4, The ice is now leaving the River the snow is going also

1846 Brought Forward— March 6th, Herman Davis cleared out this morning for Wisconsin bull and all; 18th, I commensed raising new log house and finished it; 21st, it on the 21st Saturday— at the same time put up March old log house; 17th, Mr. Heighs day in commensing March old log house house etc.; 22, Carey White sow took my China boor; 11, I had 4 cows claved from the 11 to the 20th March; 24th, I got from Mr. Davis 218 feet Bafs wood boards— 7 joice 17 feet long $1.50 boards $2.50 per 1000 feet

1846 Brought Forward— March 25th, I drawed for Mr. Deyo two loads corn to his new farm and he gave me 3 bushels corn; 26, I got from Mr. Davis 20 slabs at 2½ cts each 6.50; 22, I rented Mr. Tinkham farm to Oren Richardson— there was 8 lights of glass broken in all the windows; 28th, I boughts from Mr. G. Dana 1 breaking plough for $10 and I am to pay him when it is convenient to me; 27, Brother Rathbone was here; 19, Mr. Conner 1 day making mortesses for joice in the log house; 22, the white carey sow took my white China boar; April 1 & 2, 2 day helping Heigh to clean his wheat

Brought Forward— April 2nd, I commenced plowing in my field very dry; Mar. 24, I drawed 2 loads corn for Wm. Deyo to his new farm— at the same time he gave me 2 bushels corn; April 5, 12, & 13, I gave Mr. Heigh 1 load wood; 13, I planted my English authorn in the field; 17, I planted potatoes onion and peas in the field; 18th, I planted herbs and other trees in the river garden, I gave G. Dana a lot peech trees and c; 19, Planted beet parsnap and several other seeds in the field; 21, I commenced to break prarie, Mr. Heigh grafted trees in my field about 50

1846 Brought forward— Ap. 21 & 22, Mr. Heigh 2 days grafting and helping to break prairie and ditching; 26, I sold Mr. Heigh 1 haifer and calf for 60 bushels corn $9.00; 27, Mr. Funk commensed thrashing with his mashine, Deyo 2 boys and 1 horse helpt me. Mr. Coons and son also at night com raining; 26 & 28, trim'd my peech trees in the river garden; May 3, Brown covered by the at the same time I agreed with Mr. Mainut for my 3 mares to ensure for 4 dollars each and he is to take for his pay grain or stock to the amount at a market price

1846 Brought Forward— May 6, Finished thrashing Funk mashine— I took part to Smith; 7, Me & my horses helpt Smith to thrash 1½ days sall and Nat help't me to thrash 1½ days. Coons & boy helpt me to thrash 2½ days; 3d, Paid Tom Rags for lay for plow shere 25 c and Peeter do; 10th 1 bushel of potatoes 25 c— 50 Peet Rags 8 bushels potatoes at 25-c— $2.00; 13th, I sowed 8 bushels spring wheat and dragged it in on the 18th; 18th, do to do 4 bushels wheat not soked; 15, I sowed 18 bushels oats and draged in 19th; 18th, Mr. Hates had 10½ bushels potatoes on Rags ac $2.62½; 21st, I got my potatoes from the field— agreed many rotten

1846 Brought Forward— May 13th, Mr. Coons cut my white boar; 18th, The hold B sow pig'd, New beam to my English plow at Grand deTour— 1.50; 21, My wife Berkshire sow took my B Boare; 23, My wife's daughter commensed planting corn; 24, Brown Cate took the horse; 25, My wife and daughter finished planting the first peace of corn; 19th, The hold sow pigd the woods and came home with 4 pigs; 26 & 29— Pat Igens 2 sows pigd with 6 each

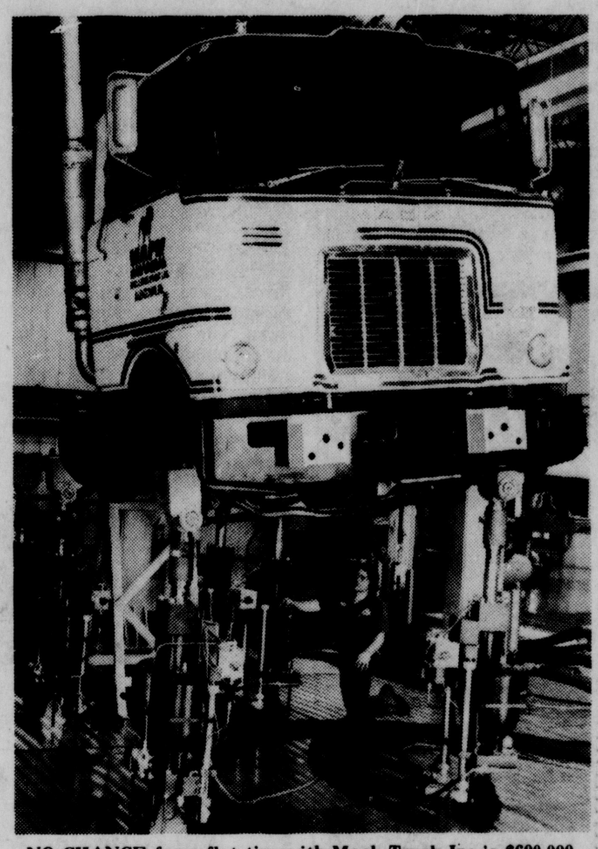
1846 Brought Forward— June 8th, Finished planting corn in my field; 11, I cleand up the balance of my spring wheat, George Coons 1 day helping me; 9th, I finished planting potatoes in my field; 13, I commenced breaking up the garden spot in the timber; 12, I delivered at little brooks at Dixon 17 bushels spring wheat for Lewis Davis; 18th, I sowed grass seeds round my log buildings; 19th, Doll fold fine horse colt; 26, Francis Hackins helpt me to break prarie 2 days with Porters cattle; 28th, Cate and Doll took the Horse

1846 Brought Forward— June 27, Cherry took the bool; 28th, spot nose do— July 2nd, Nobey took do— 3d, Philpaile do— July 1st, William Akins came to live with us— 20th, Mr. James Wever 1 day cradling wheat; 24th, Danniel Newkerk came to live with us and as agreed to work one month and take a cow for his work; Aug. 7, Dannel Newkerk left for Chicago; 16th, Dannel Newkerk returned to his work, Myself & team helpd Mr. Hoons 2 days drawing grain, Mr. Hoons helpd me ½ day in do

1846 Brought Forward— Aug. 20th, Mary sow took the boar, Mr. Hoons helpd me 2 half days in mowing halling hay; Sept. 8, George Hoons 1¼ days drawing hay; 16, I help Hoons part two days; 18, plowing in wheat; 13, I gave to sowpigs to sucker for 14 bushels corn; Nov. 4th, Mother young berkshire sow took the boar Pat White sow took do— I believe all my sows have taken the boar now even some of the young shots, I have put up 8 hogs to fat; 17, To 100 bushel of corn from Mr. Harris. I finished drawing down; 18th, I delivered the cow for the above corn the price of the corn 12½ cts. pr bushel; Dec. 19, I sold Mr. Harris crook horn cow for 90 bushel corn. I got 25 bushel on do; 20th, I sold Mr. Adams the Dunn cow calf for $3.50 at the same time he took Dannel cow home— to cash from do $2.52½ and due now from do— 87½; 30th, To 36 bushels corn from Mr. Harris for crook horn cow and due from him now 13 bush

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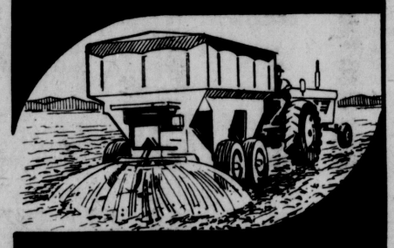
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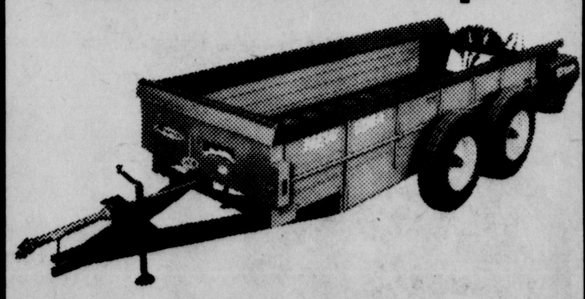
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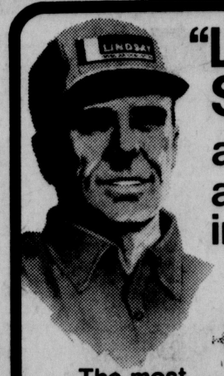
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Contradictions in movement for 'new journalism'

The movement in American newspapering called the "new journalism" had contradictory forces operating within it. Editors were striving on one hand to be more objective in covering the news, to be a crusading force in the public interest, to create newspapers independent of economic and political pressures.

But striving as they were in metropolitan centers for the largest possible shares of circulation among rapidly expanding audiences, they were aware of the reader-attraction possibilities of human-interest news, of illustrations and photographs, of bigger headlines, of color printing, of entertainment and of such newfound features as the comics.

All of these could be used constructively to build better newspapers. Stories written in a more readable style, or depending upon human-interest appeals, could enhance acceptance of the newspaper by the new mass audience. Headlines, color and illustrations could give the newspaper a new face. But if the new devices were used too lavishly, and at the expense of the solid news, they could descend into sensationalism.

SENSATIONALISM was not new to journalism, but with the new tools available at the turn of the century, the sensationalism which developed seemed distinctive and new. The intensity of competition led to a degrading kind of journalism which twisted the facts for sensation's sake, which made the high drama of life a cheap melodrama, which turned constructive crusading into false concern for "the people." The era of 1895-1905 is known as the time of "Yellow Journalism."

The central characters in the drama were William Randolph Hearst and Joseph Pulitzer, who began in 1895 to duel for circulation leadership in New York City. It was Hearst's Journal, challenging Pulitzer's World, which set the pace for the sensationalism which spread across the country to a third or more of the metropolitan dailies.

Hearst's entry into journalism in 1887 as publisher of the San Francisco Examiner began a career which was to extend over 64 years until his death in 1951. Hearst easily became the most fascinating, and difficult to analyze, of American journalistic figures. Throughout this early period he was a crusading reformer, a champion of labor unions, a fiery opponent of trusts and monopolies, and an advocate of extensive government ownership of means of production and transportation.



WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST entertained a host of political ambitions. This cartoon pokes fun at those ambitions by depicting him at an inaugural celebration at the White House with the New York Journal's cartoon characters.

Pulitzer first invaded New York in 1883. Hearst admired the World's new techniques and returned to San Francisco to persuade his millionaire father to give him the Examiner — in order to make it "the New York World of the West." By 1895 he was ready to enter New York journalism, buying the Journal and hoisting above it the banner of Bryanism and free silver. When Pulitzer turned his back upon Bryan in 1896, Hearst obtained entry to one segment of readers in the metropolis.

MORE IMPORTANTLY, Hearst set out to go Pulitzer one better in the use of headlines and illustrations, in building up an entertaining Sunday edition, in using color printing, in offering cartoons and comic strips, in human-interest writing, in carrying "startling" news. The competition hurt, especially when Hearst lured away the most inventive of Pulitzer's editors, writers and cartoonists. Among those who left were Morrill Goddard, who became the editor of Hearst's famed American Weekly, and the creator of the comic character called the "Yellow Kid." When both papers claimed custody of the vacant-faced Kid, it seemed symbolic of the kind of sensational journalism which was developing, and the phrase "Yellow Journalism" became fastened upon the contestants.

By the fall of 1896, the Journal was gaining rapidly on the World. The day after Bryan's defeat by William McKinley, both papers sold 1.5 million copies. By late 1897, the Sunday edition of the Journal, replete with a comic section which the paper said "makes the rainbow look like a lead pipe" and special magazine and women's sections, had equaled the World at 600,000 circulation. Both newspapers had special correspondents covering heavyweight prize fights, the 60th anniversary of the coronation of Queen Victoria (Mark Twain did the honors for the Journal) and European wars. They and their rivals, the Herald and the Sun, were scrambling for every bit of news.

SMALL WONDER then that they should treat the Cuban crisis which was to lead to the Spanish-American War as another opportunity to compete for sensational news. The insurrection of Cuba had been progressing intermittently since 1868; a full-blown rebellion had begun in early 1895. War came in 1898.

Unlike the World, which shied away from sensationalism following the war, the Journal thundered on, combining a strident nationalism with its almost-radical domestic policies. It bitterly attacked President McKinley, a campaign which backfired disastrously when McKinley was assassinated in 1901 by an anarchist who carried a copy of the Journal in his pocket. Hearst found it advantageous to change the name of his morning paper in New York to the American, but never lived down the charges of irresponsibility which were leveled against him.

As the 20th Century opened, American journalism turned its attention again to the problems of reform which had brought about the rise of the crusading New Journalism — of the 1880s. Political corruption, domination of economic life by monopolies and trusts, gross inequalities in distribution of income and lack of effective social legislation were targets for crusading by political leaders, educators, authors, magazine writers, and newspaper editors. It was the era of the "muckrakers," who gathered force after 1901 and who spurred the passage of essential reform legislation during the presidencies of Theodore Roosevelt and Woodrow Wilson. The most sensational of the muckrakers used the techniques of Yellow Journalism to harass their enemies, giving evidence that an American press which had passed through such a storm would never quite be the same again.

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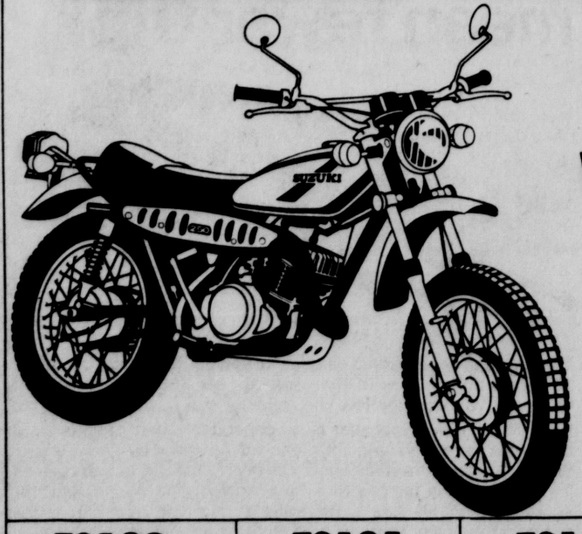
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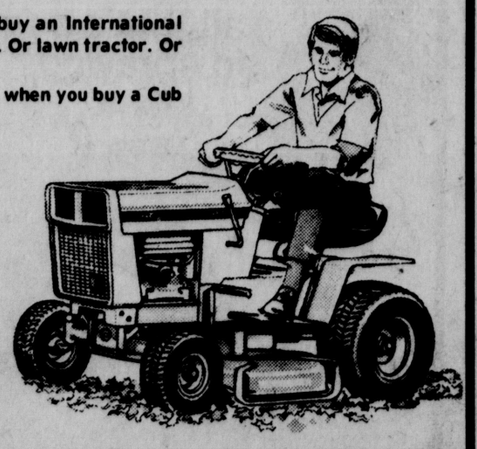
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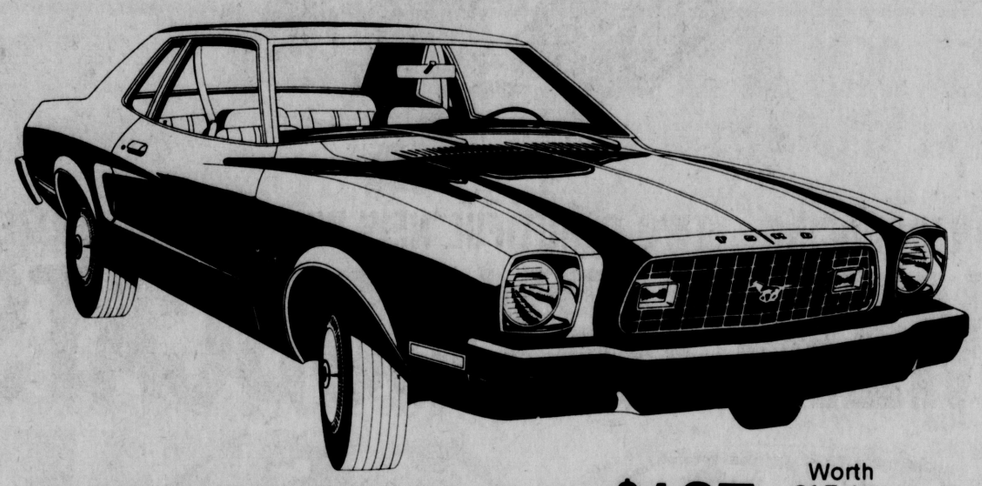
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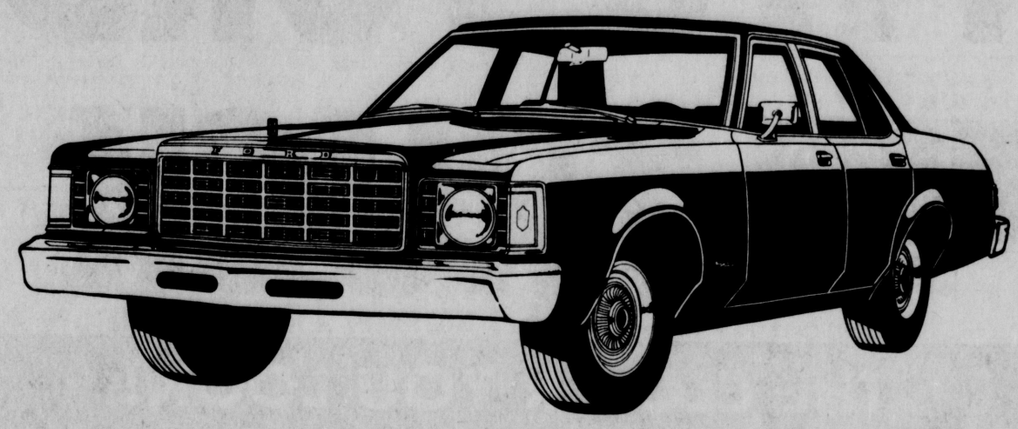
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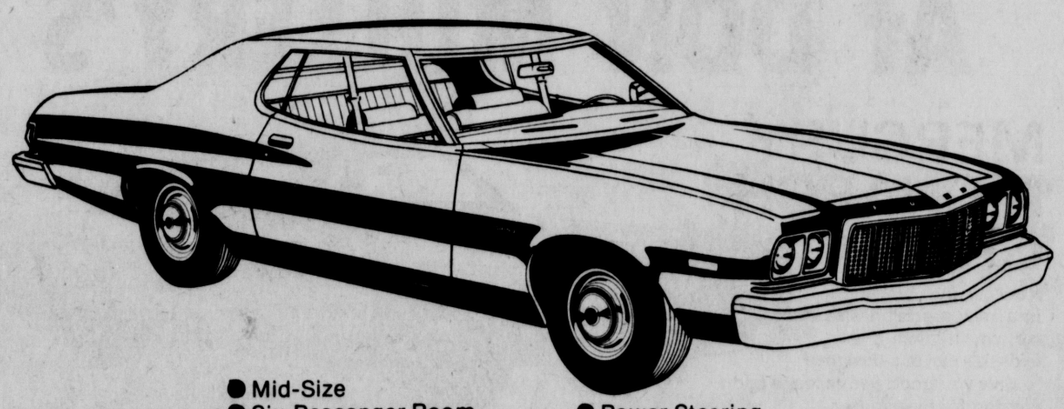
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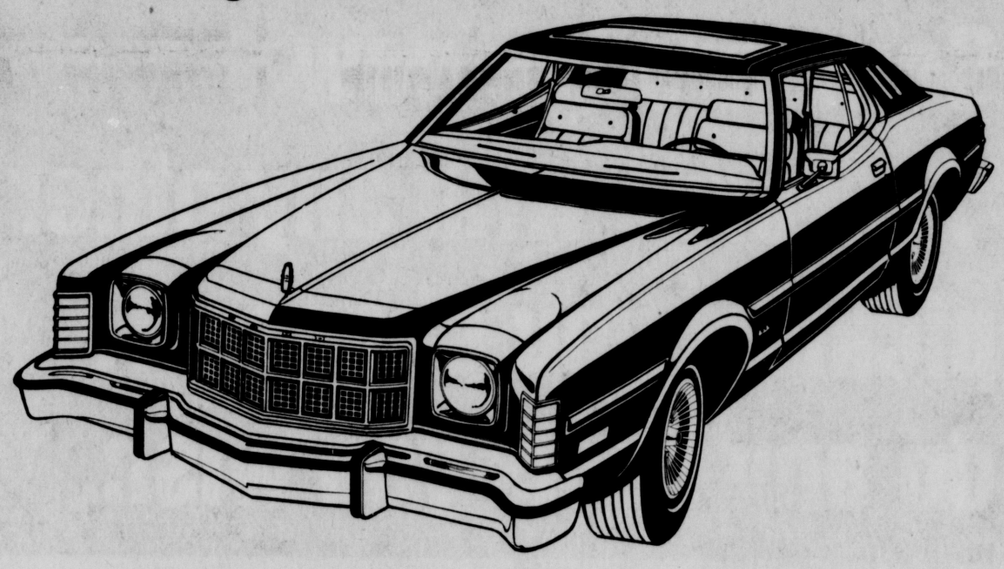
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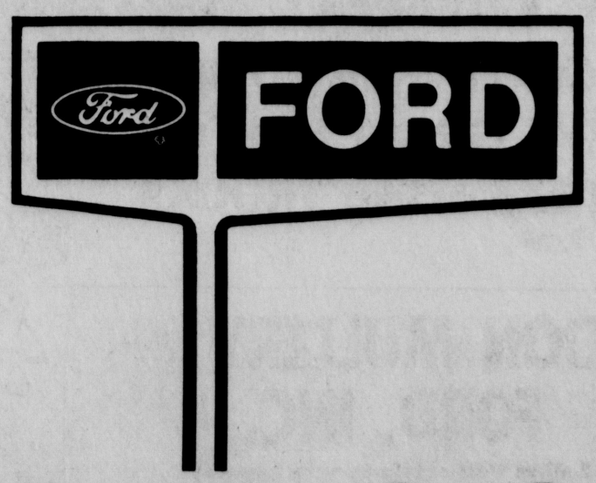
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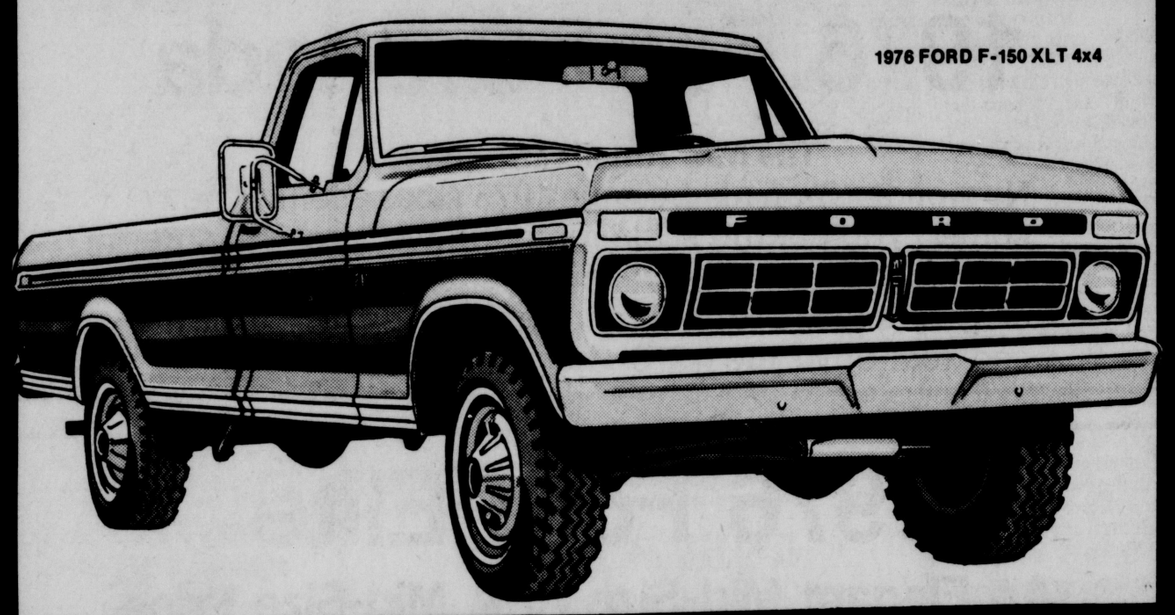
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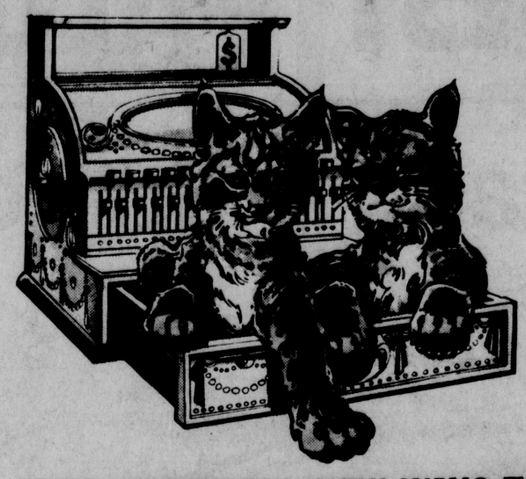


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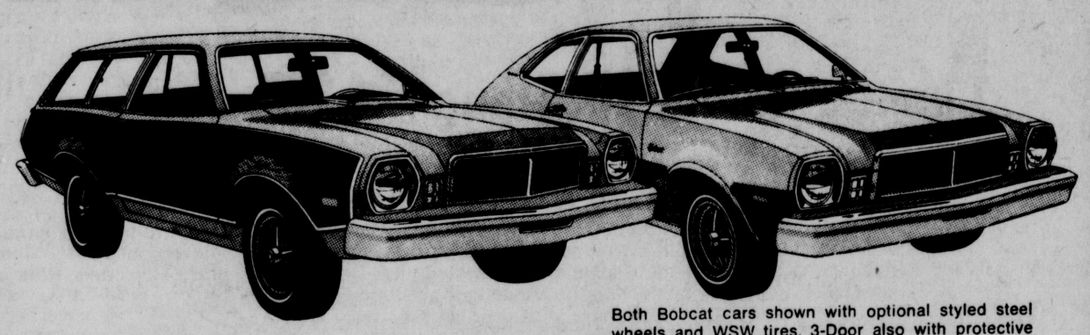
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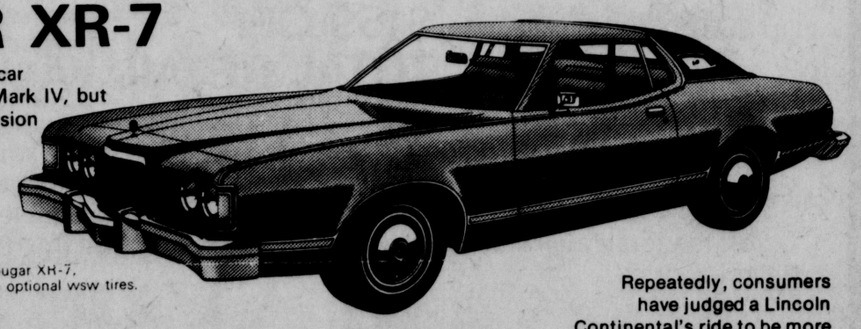
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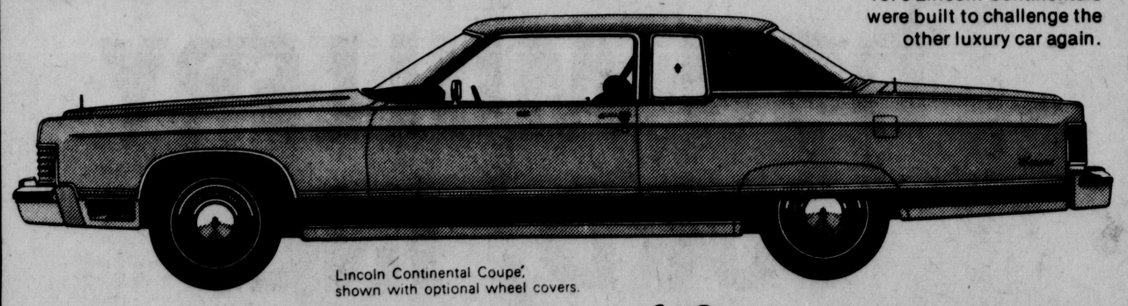
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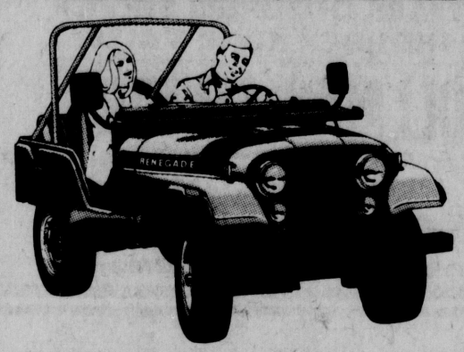
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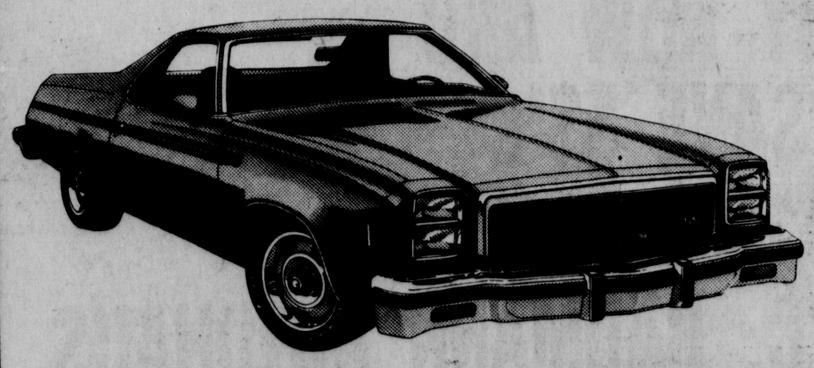
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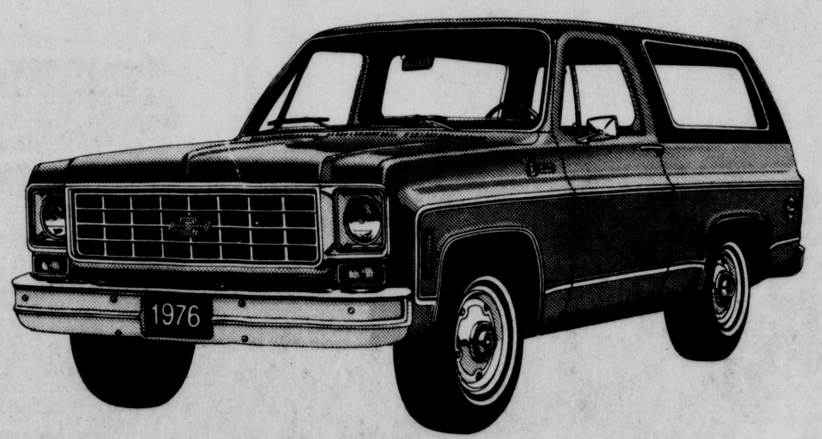
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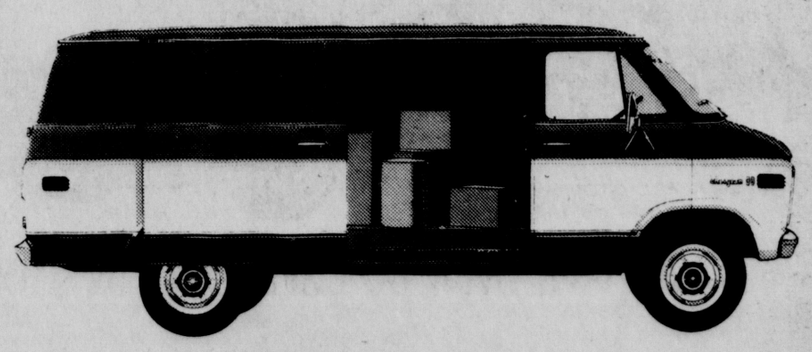


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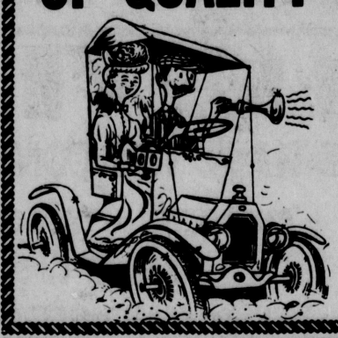
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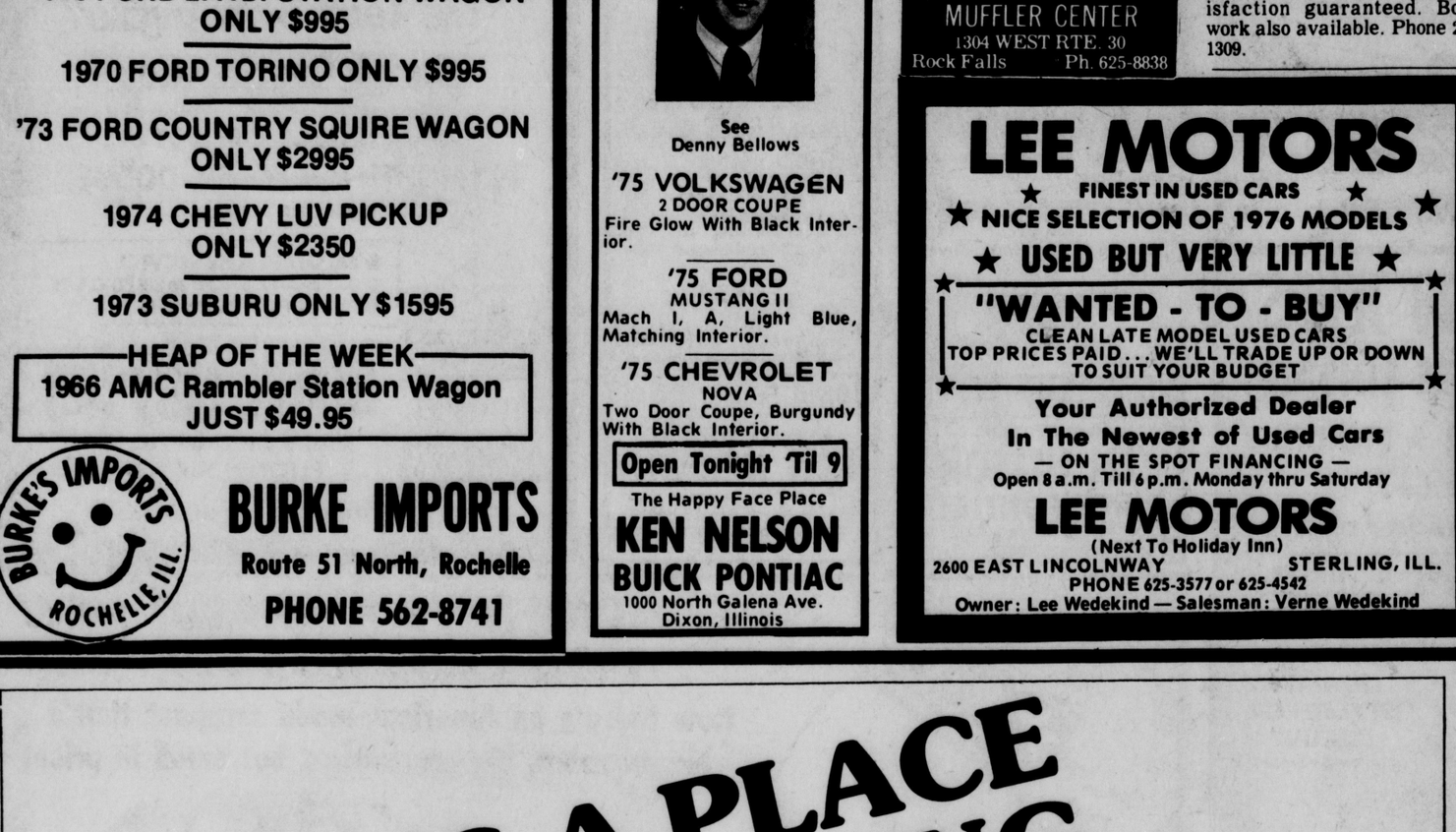
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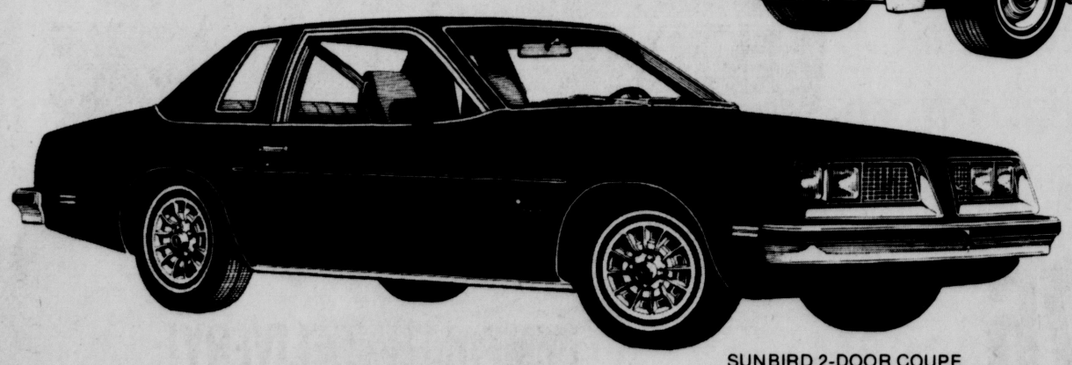
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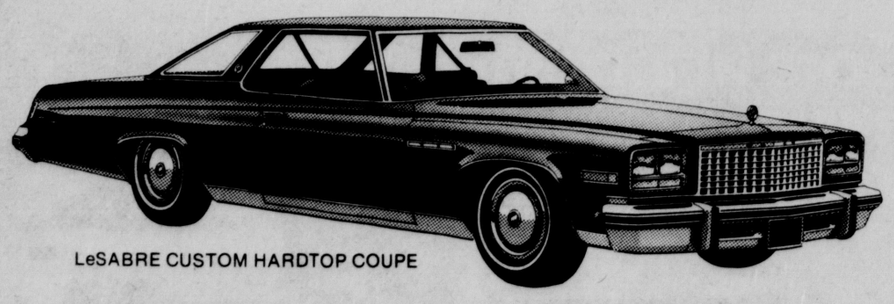


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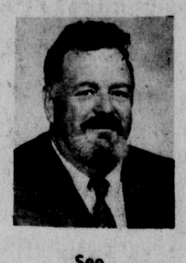
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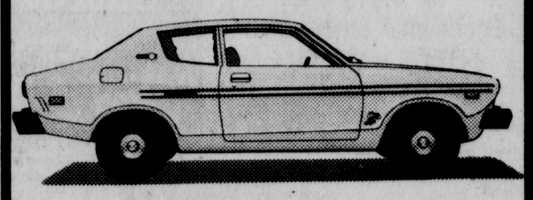
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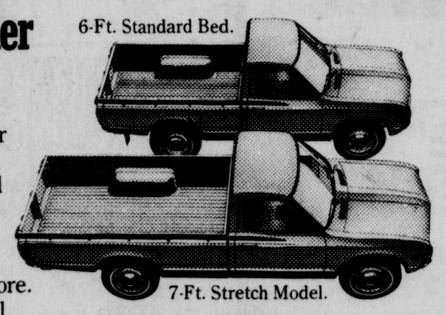


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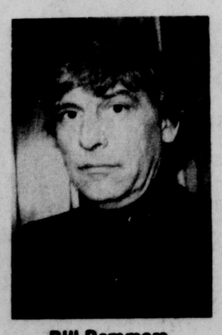
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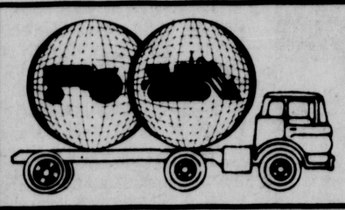
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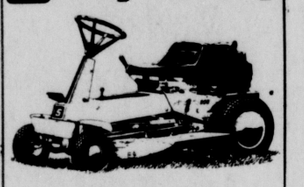
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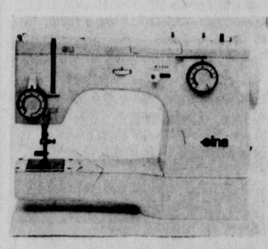
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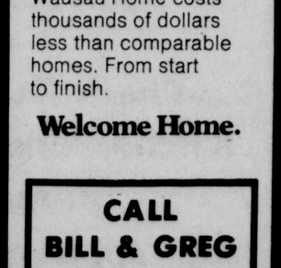
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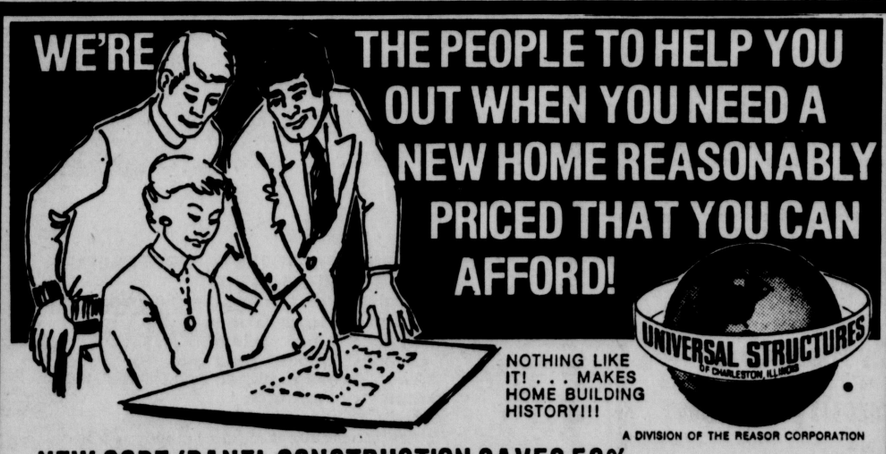
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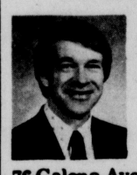
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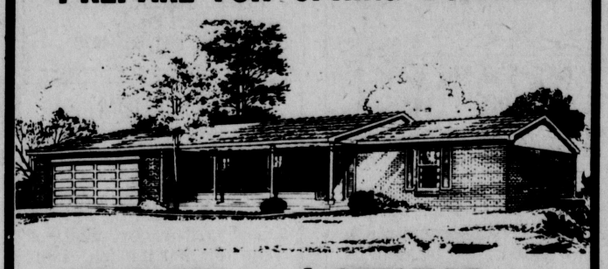
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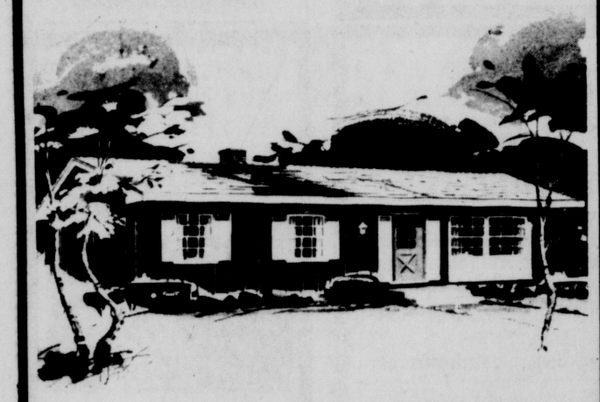
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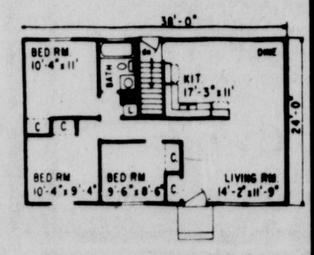
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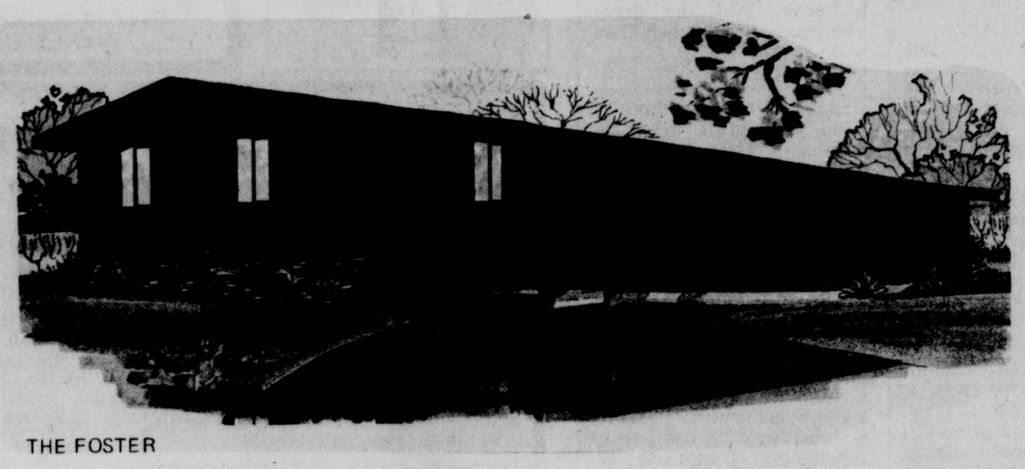
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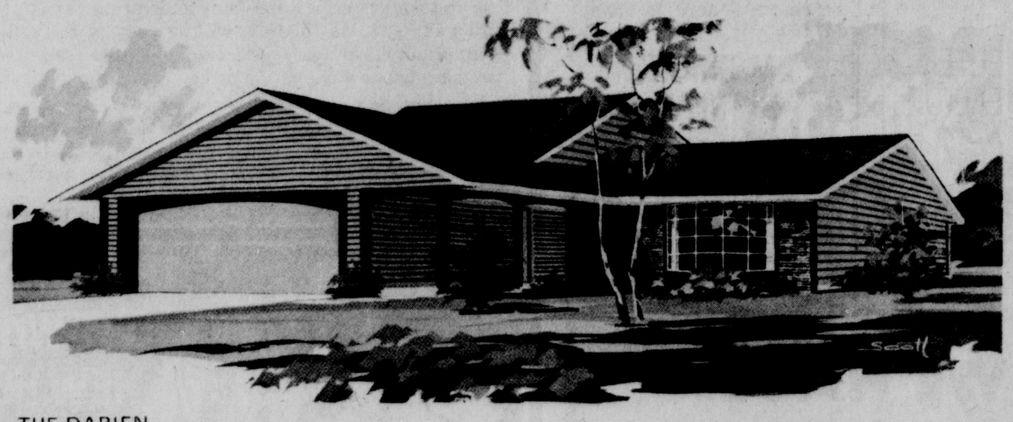
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Records of old insurance company uncovered in Polo

By KATHLEEN SAMUEL

POLO— In a fireproof steel box recently found at the Polo National Bank, many receipts, policies and other old records of the Buffalo Mutual Fire Insurance Co. were uncovered and brought to light.

Buffalo Mutual Fire Insurance Co. was founded by a group of citizens and farmers of the Polo area, just as 250 other mutual fire insurance companies were formed in Illinois in the 1890's because the big insurance companies like Continental and Pudential would not insure the farmers because of the high risk from farm fires.



Russell Scholl has been secretary and treasurer of Buffalo Mutual Insurance Co. since 1953 when he was appointed to fill the vacancy of his father, Arthur Scholl. Russell holds the 100-year service record plaque earned by the company in 1974; on the desk is the very first copy of minutes kept by the new organization beginning in 1873. Richard Butler is holding the very first policy written by the Company to J. C. Lawrence in 1874 for his house & farm. (Telegraph Photo)

After a farmer would suffer a loss by fire on his farm, all of the members of the Mutual Insurance Company would band together and repair or rebuild the buildings, so that the loss from the farm fire would only be the cost of the material and not for labor.

It was also the custom of the company to assess each policyholder about 10 cents each month, which would total out about $1.30 or $1.60 a year. This assessment was made at each annual meeting with the approval of the current members of Buffalo Mutual. It is the record of the company that they have never had to double assess the members in any given year since its founding in 1874.

A record of a bill for repairs was given to the company in the late 1800's for a Maurice Hurbert's home in Buffalo Township that listed the items as such: pine boards, 2x4, 20 cents; ½ gal. of paint 80 cents; 1 pt of linseed oil, 7 sents; ship lap board, 75 cents, and shingles, 40 cents. The carpenter charged $2.25 for his labor and the plasterer charged $1.

Jay Wilson was paid the top price of $45 for the loss of a cow during a thunderstorm in 1907. Horses were valued at $80, sheep $3, and hogs $10. But by 1908, horses were raised to a top premium of $125 and cattle to $50 per head, according to the record books of E. S. Waterbury, secretary of the Buffalo Mutual Fire Insurance Co.

This farm-oriented fire insurance company was chartered in August, 1873, by 34 property owners in the Buffalo and Pine Creek Townships of Ogle County. It was filed with the Department of Insurance of the State of Illinois and was authorized to write business in the above townships outside the corporate limits of towns. These 34 petition-signers were required to own at least $60,000 worth of property among them.

The first board of nine members were elected at a meeting on March 14, 1874 in the Wale Agri rooms. They were F. G. Jones, president; A. J. Sanborn, secretary; and E. S. Waterbury, treasurer. Other members of the nine-member board were A. F. Moore, Jordon Lawrence, Elias Osterhoudt, C. G. Holbrook, C. W. Sammis, and William M. Mason. They set the annual meeting for the third Tuesday of January, which is still the meeting date. They named each board member as surveyor and each policy issued by the new company had to pass their approval. Meetings were held in various board members' homes until 1889, when they decided to meet in Polo to better serve the policyholders.

Prior to 1909, compensation was made only to the surveyors, secretary and the treasurer for their duties, but due to a lack of interest in attendance at the meetings, it was voted to pay each board member $1 per meeting.

Several articles in their early bylaws stated that any member who allowed smoking in his barn, stable or outhouse resulting in a fire that did damage to insured property would forfeit all claims; and that no coverage would be paid on a fire resulting from a stock tank heaters situated closer than 100 feet from any insured building. The board members decided to do something about the many roof fires and purchased spark arresters to break up the sparks so as to keep from starting so many fires on the wooden shingles.

The new company went 22 years before suffering a major loss to a barn. On Oct. 3, 1896, the barn on the James Wilson farm in Woosung Township was struck by lightning, causing $1000 in damages to the barn, $500 to the contents and $75 to the house, for a total loss of $1,575. This required the largest assessment every made in the history of the company up until this time. All monies were handled by the Exchange National Bank of Polo. Members of the board of the Buffalo Mutual were E. S. Waterbury, Nickolas McGrath, George Brand, E. P. Huggins and E. S. Shaver.

Several notations were found in the old set of record books by Russell Scholl, grandson of J. Fred Scholl, who was the company secretary from 1918 to 1948, of many fires in farm homes resulting from the wives' hanging the washing too close to the cook stoves. Also, due to a request by property owners to expand the territory of the company, there was a change in the county line between Lee and Ogle which developed a half township known as Woosung. This territory was originally in Buffalo Township. On March 6, 1897, the company bylaws were amended to take in Palmyra in Lee County and Jordan in Whiteside. This has since been expanded to take in everything east of Rock River in 15 townships.

Another note was that due to the fast response of the Polo Fire Department, the company removed the requirements of distance between each fire risk.

With the bond requirement of $6000 for the treasurer and $1,000 on the secretary, the company was legally permitted to write policies and Policy No. One was written to J. C. Lawrence on July 6, 1874, for $2,697 on the set of buildings on his farm. It took 47 years of hard work by board members to reach the $2 million sales mark.

The Buffalo Mutual Insurance Co. now carries protection for city dwellers as well as farm people and almost anything can be insured by the company.

The 100th anniversary of the company was celebrated with an open house for all of the stockholders March 30, 1974, at the Polo Town Hall. Present to greet the many guests were directors and their wives, Harold Johnson, president; Russell Scholl, secretary, and treasurer; Herbert Coffman, Ralph Avey, Paul Webster, Richard Schell, Donald Woodin and Byron Blum.

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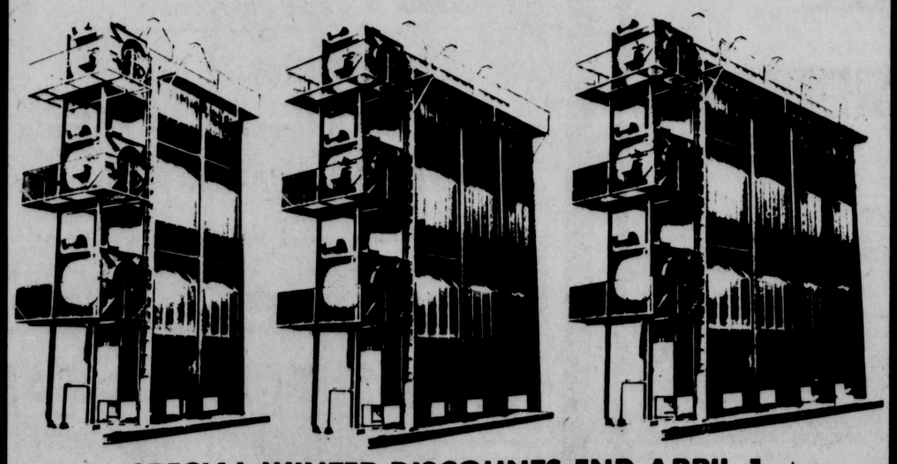
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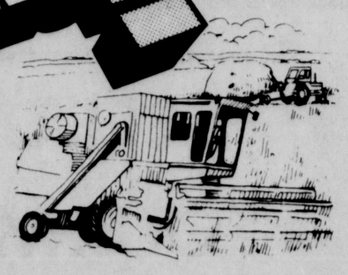


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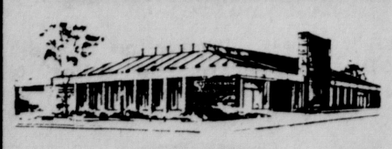


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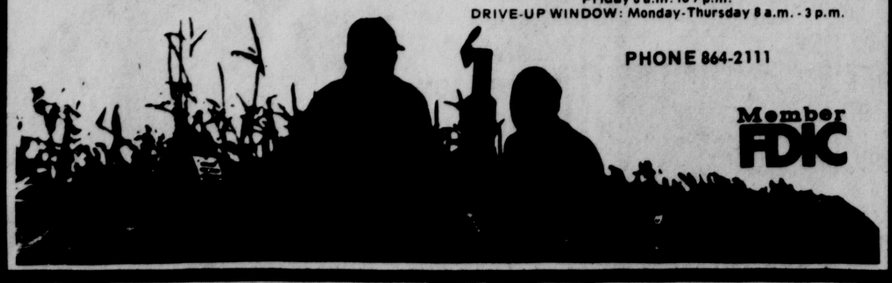
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This proclamation by General Washington from his headquarters at Valley Forge is typical of many that made reference to the desperate need for supplies for the army at this time. The Pennsylvania Packet, Dec. 31, 1777, printed this time in Lancaster, carried this proclamation. (Courtesy, American Antiquarian Society)

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By DR. FRANCIS G. WALETT

As the ragged Continental Army staggered into its winter quarters at Valley Forge, it was miserable and exhausted. Gen. Nathaniel Greene of Rhode Island wrote, "One half of our troops are without breeches, shoes and stockings; and some thousands without blankets." A sad situation indeed, just one week before Christmas 1777.

The men were too cold, hungry and fatigued to do much but huddle around campfires on the snow-covered hillsides. All they had at first for shelter in this barren camp were their worn and tattered tents. Conditions improved somewhat when axmen cut logs to build huts or cabins, but almost incredible hardships and suffering still lay ahead.

Why had General Washington chosen this place? It had been stripped recently by the enemy of virtually everything so badly needed, food, provisions and livestock. All that could be said was that this was a natural defensive position, from which the commander could keep watch on the British in Philadelphia, some twenty miles to the east.

How wretched the Patriot forces were! Dr. Albigence Waldo, a Connecticut surgeon, wrote: "Provisions scarce ... Heartily wish myself at home. My skin and eyes are almost spoiled with continual smoke. A general cry through the camp this evening among the soldiers, 'No meat! No meat!' The distant wales echoed back the melancholy sound, 'No meat! No meat!'"

One wonders how the men stood the conditions. Lafayette recorded, "The unfortunate soldiers were in want of everything; they had neither coats, hats, shirts nor shoes; their feet and legs froze until they became black and it was often necessary to amputate them."

Another grim commentary was made by Dr. Waldo: "There comes a soldier, his bare feet seen thro' his worn-out shoes, his legs nearly naked from the tattered remains of an old pair of stockings, his Breeches not sufficient to cover his nakedness, his Shirt hanging in Strings, his hair dishevell'd, his face meagre; his whole appearence pictures a person forsaken and discouraged. He comes and crys with an air of wretchedness and despair, I am Sick, my feet lame, my legs are sore, my body covered with this tormenting Itch."

As soon as Washington arrived at Valley Forge, he informed the Continental Congress that matters were desperate. Something drastic had to be done he said, or the army would either "Starve, dissolve, or disperse." His constant pleas for supplies from Congress and the state governments produced only disappointing results, however.

It was exasperating, too, to see that farmers readily sold grain, cattle and other provisions to the British for hard cash rather than take a chance on the depreciating paper money of Congress and the states. Whenever possible, Washington seized supplies, and he sent out foraging parties to find what they could. While some food was obtained this way, it seemed at times that starvation might accomplish what General Howe and his redcoats had failed to do— destroy the Continental Army.

Washington finally gave the difficult job of securing food and other supplies to Gen. Nathaniel Greene, who undertook the task reluctantly, but applied himself vigorously to it. The honesty of this quartermaster general (unlike some other officers) could not be questioned, and with the coming of spring, order and stability began to return. Warmer weather brought revived spirits, too.

Fortunately for General Washington and the Continental Army there had appeared at Valley Forge, Feb. 23, 1778, a German volunteer who called himself Baron von Steuben. Although von Stuben was no nobleman and carried false credentials, he had been a general staff officer in the Prussian army. Liar or not, this German officer had invaluable technical training. Washington knew full well that his ragged horde had to be drilled as well as fed if they were to be a useful fighting force. Von Steuben went at the task enthusiastically.

This egotistical, stout, and balding adventurer was a picturesque showman. Standing in a magnificent, well-decorated uniform before the half-starved Continentals, he barked orders for military maneuvers and the handling of arms. He had devised a system of drill regulations based on the Prussian system. Since he knew no English, his aides had to translate his orders. Von Steuben had to memorize the English version of his commands.

It was no doubt confusing at first. In good-humored fashion the cocky drillmaster cursed the awkward soldiers. Running out of German words, von Steuben called on his aides to swear for him in Egnlish. If the Americans were amused by this foreign volunteer, they soon came to respect him.

The results of von Steuben's drilling were soon visible, too. By June 1778 Washington had the best-trained army he had commanded thus far. Baron von Steuben prepared a manual entitled "Regulations for the Order and Discipline of the Troops of the United States." It was published in several editions and was the "blue book" of military discipline for years to come. In gratitude for von Steuben's efforts Wahington made him Inspector General of the Continental Army and Congress soon confirmed the appointment.

With spring 1778 came renewed hopes. Soon there was news of greater support for the Continental Army. The New Jersey Gazette of March 18, for example, reported that "The Southern States are pursuing the most vigorous measures for strengthening the hands of General Washington in the ensuing campaign ... The strength of the enemy is so much reduced that nothing but our indolence can prevent their destruction."

Miraculously, Washington and the Continental Army had survived that terrible winter at Valley Forge. Nathaniel Greene, in a letter to General Washington, wrote prayerfully, "God grant that we may never be brought to such a wretched condition again."

Valley Forge stands in our history and literature as a great symbol of national courage and patriotism. It was the Gethsemane of the American Revolution.



A dry year

Jay Christopher sifts drifted topsoil from his wheat fields at Protection, Kan. A very dry, warm winter combined with windstorms has stripped thousands of acres of cropland in southwest Kansas. Crop loss in the area is described at "near total." (AP Wirephoto)

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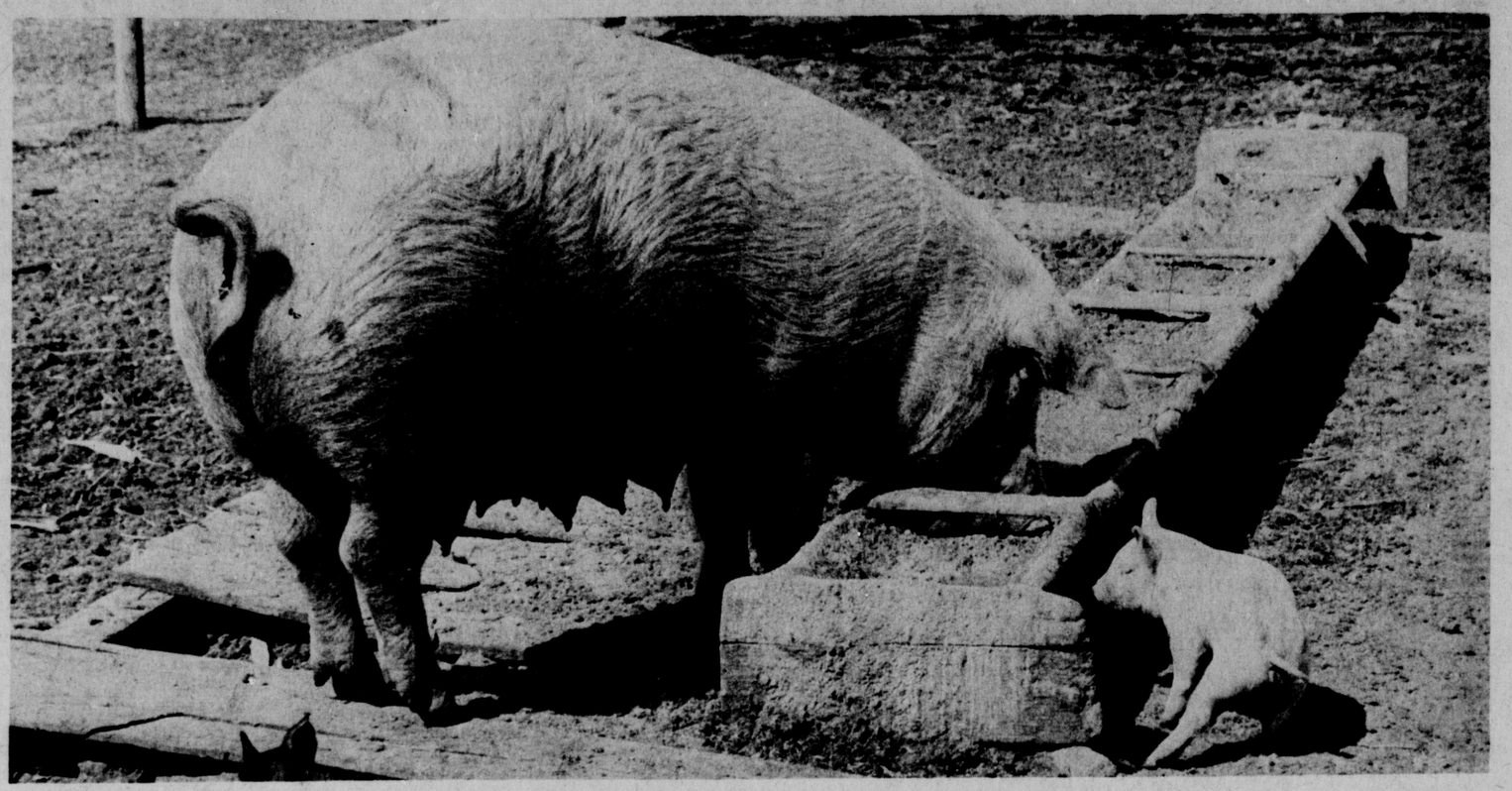
It's spring and motherhood abounds on farm

With 13 brood sows and approximately 150 baby pigs, there is no shortage of swine motherhood at the Thomas W. Cunniff farm, Rt. 1, Rock Falls.

With the advent of spring, sows on farms all over the rural community are giving birth.

The 13 sows all delivered their litters within five days. The piglets were about 2½ weeks old when these pictures were taken.

Assuming that mother swine have all the problems of their human counterparts, we have depicted on this page what the new mothers and their broods might be doing.



'Let mommy show you how good it is.'

Telegraph Photos by Mike Cunniff



'Let's take the kids out to play.'



'Honestly, my dear, by the time I take care of these kids all day, I'm simply worn out.'



'I don't care what your cousin Porky says, I'm telling you the stork brings baby pigs.'



'Let's all practice rooting.'



'Hey, who's the guy with the camera.'